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TIME-TABLE.

WEEKS DAYS.

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.15	4.35	5.45
Yamat ...Dep.	6.48	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.15	4.35	5.45
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	8.15	9.20	10.10	12.10	1.25	2.25	4.45	5.55
Fanning ...Dep.	7.15	8.30	9.35	10.25	12.25	1.40	2.40	5.00	6.10
Taipei ...Dep.	7.30	8.45	9.50	10.40	12.40	1.55	2.55	5.15	6.25
TaipeiMarket ...Dep.	7.40	8.55	10.00	10.50	12.50	2.05	3.05	5.25	6.35
Fanning ...Dep.	7.55	9.10	10.15	11.05	1.00	2.00	3.00	5.40	6.50
Shatin ...Dep.	8.10	9.25	10.30	11.20	1.10	2.10	3.10	5.50	7.00
Yamat ...Dep.	8.25	9.40	10.45	11.35	1.25	2.25	3.25	6.05	7.15
Kowloon ...Arr.	7.41	8.55	10.00	10.50	12.50	2.10	3.10	5.30	6.40
Canton ...Arr.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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Yamat ...Dep.	8.50	10.05	11.10	12.00	1.55	2.55	3.55	6.35	7.45
Kowloon ...Arr.	8.17	9.32	10.37	11.27	1.27	2.27	3.27	6.47	7.57
Canton ...Arr.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

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Yamat ...Dep.	6.48	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.15	4.35	5.45
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	8.15	9.20	10.10	12.10	1.25	2.25	4.45	5.55
Fanning ...Dep.	7.15	8.30	9.35	10.25	12.25	1.40	2.40	5.00	6.10
Taipei ...Dep.	7.30	8.45	9.50	10.40	12.40	1.55	2.55	5.15	6.25
TaipeiMarket ...Dep.	7.40	8.55	10.00	10.50	12.50	2.05	3.05	5.25	6.35
Fanning ...Dep.	7.55	9.10	10.15	11.05	1.00	2.00	3.00	5.40	6.50
Shatin ...Dep.	8.10	9.25	10.30	11.20	1.10	2.10	3.10	5.50	7.00
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Canton ...Arr.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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CHINESE BABY IN ST. PAUL'S.

CHRISTENING CEREMONY.

INTEREST OF HOME PAPERS.

EFFECT OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATION ON CABLE COMPANIES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

London, December 11th.

The newspapers are showing a paternal interest in the christening of a Chinese baby in St. Paul's Cathedral, the infant son of Mr. Nam Fai Na, who is described as head of the London office of the Sincere Company, Ltd., traders and merchants, who have offices in the City near the Cathedral. Canon Hopkins is to perform the ceremony, which is of interest to many because it marks the first occasion that a child of Eastern parentage has been christened in St. Paul's.

Mrs. Nan told an interviewer that her grandfather was a minister in Hong Kong, and that she was married there, being one of four brides who married four brothers on the same day three years ago. She is a charming Chinese woman of 31, and was candid enough to say that she prefers life in Hong Kong to London. The couple hope to return to the Far East after a time, and during their exile, as they regard it, they have made their home in Belsize Road, Hampstead.

Cable Stocks and Wireless.

Some shareholders in the big cable companies have apparently taken fright at the announcement made this week that there has been a substantial drop in revenue owing to the competition of wireless telegraphy. They naturally wonder what is going to happen later on when wireless between Britain and lands across the sea is further developed. It is as yet only in its infancy. The Western has been particularly affected by the competition of the radio companies of Brazil and Argentina. There has been a drop in the price of Eastern Telegraph and Eastern Extension; but the market for cable companies' stocks has always been a narrow one, and a little selling there produces a disproportionate effect upon prices.

I learn that opinion in the City is not greatly perturbed by a decline in cable stocks. It has been evident for a long time that wireless competition would have to be faced. What is clear now is that the infant system has overcome some of its troubles, and has become more definitely a competitor with the older industry. But there are many technical reasons why shareholders of cable companies should not become panicky with regard to the outlook. Just as motor transport has forced the railways to abandon their air of aloofness which they were able to maintain so long as they had a monopoly, and prepare themselves to meet competition, the cable companies will find that if they cheapen their costs they will probably get along quite well.

The Marconi Company's Views.

The foregoing represents, I believe, the best opinion in the City on this subject. The cable companies have such ample reserves that they are very well placed to face a lean period. A great deal depends on the policy they adopt. As they are no longer in the happy position of monopolists in telegraphic communication, their earnings will probably suffer; but it is held that cheaper rates—if they are wise enough to see it—will stimulate to a very large degree.

(Continued on next Column.)

TRIAL MARRIAGE.

FIRST EXPERIMENT IN AMERICA.

TWO STUDENTS.

New York.

Kansas City announces the inauguration on Thanksgiving Day of the very latest innovation in American marriages. With due religious ceremonies Mr. Aubrey C. Roelle, a 20-year-old university undergraduate, is to be united on that day in the bonds of "companionate" matrimony with Josephine, the 18-year-old daughter of Mr. E. Haldeman Julius, an author and publisher.

With the consent of their parents, the bride and bridegroom, after assuming their companionate relations, are to continue their college careers unhampered by economic burdens, and are to have their homes with their respective parents.

In the words of Mr. Haldeman Julius, "they are to come and go as they please, meeting and living in the house of whichever set of parents they may momentarily prefer. If, later, they find their companionate relations fail to give happiness, the union is to be dissolved by divorce, but if they are successful they will eventually establish a home of their own."

The Parents Explain.

The theory of their provisional marriage is explained by the parents' concerned. "I believe," says Mr. Haldeman Julius, "that the solution of social unrest among young people to-day is economic. We all know young persons have emotional interests many years before the average marriage can take place."

"How much better, therefore, for them to marry when love prompts. This can be accomplished to-day only with the aid of parents who are willing to support the young people while they complete their scholastic training. Marriage for youngsters should not spoil the beginning of a hard economic struggle, but it should give them a goal to work for."

Mother's View.

The mother of the bride said: "My belief is that all young people, once maturity is reached, and it is reached much earlier than most parents are ready to admit—of more value both to themselves and to society, and better able to do their work in the world, if they are married. Youth is the very time of all times for full enjoyment of the free comradeship that marriage means."

"This right many parents, for no good reason except a groundless regard for old and worn-out conventions, tyrannically deny their sons and daughters. My hope is that this companionate marriage of Josephine and Aubrey will prove to be an encouragement to other young people to do the same, and to parents who are wavering between what they know to be sensible and their fear of criticism."

The Rev. Mr. Birkhead, who is to conduct the ceremony, describes it as "a human agreement admitting the possibility of failure."

Mr. F. G. Kellaway, the managing director of the Marconi Company, states that there is no intention to engage in a rate war with the cable companies. He seems to think that the companies ought to have met to discuss the position instead of appealing to the Government for a view on obtaining some form of State assistance. But the point of course, is that the Marconi Company are already under Government control, and are in fact by way of becoming the spoil of the Government here and the Dominion Governments. They can afford to regard the future with satisfaction. The cable companies are, however, differently placed. We shall soon know what arrangements, if any, can be made as to the future when negotiations between the cable companies and the Government are completed. These negotiations are now proceeding.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

Today.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m., and Lane Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30—6.30 p.m.
Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
"Ladies' Night" at European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon.
Queen's Theatre: "Bonu Geste."
World Theatre: "The Eagle."
Star Theatre: "The Show Off."
Principal Malls: Inward: Europe via Suez (Malala). Outward: Europe via Siberia (Malala), 5 p.m.
Friday.

Epiphany. Twelfth Day.
Slight Cold (Hsiao-han).
Chinese Chamber of Commerce Meeting, 2.30 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30—6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5—6.30 p.m.; Hockey: Club "A" v. 5/2 Punjabis, Marina Ground, 5 p.m.; H.K. University v. 5/2 Punjabis 2nd XI, Marina Ground, 5 p.m.; Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.; St. George's Society Ball, City Hall, 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Out all Night."
World Theatre: "The Eagle."
Star Theatre: "The Show Off."
Principal Malls: Inward: Europe via Siberia (Morra); Australia, etc. (Taiping).

Saturday.
Entries close for Fanning Hunt Steeplechase Meeting, noon.
Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning.
Annual Children's Sports at Kowloon Cricket Club.
Annual Yuletide Party for Children at Royal Naval Dockyard Recreation Club.
Yachting: 6th Championship Race for racing yachts.
Cricket: League: Division I: Civil Service C.C. v. Royal Navy; R.G.A. v. I.R.C. "B"; University v. Craighower C.C. Division II: Tamar v. H.K. Electric Co.; Recreation v. Royal Engineers; Police R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.
Frisbee: Cricket: H.K.C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.; K.C.C. v. Garrahy; H.K.C.C. and XI v. Civil Service C.C. and XI.
Football League: Division I: Club v. Queen's; Police v. Chinese Ath. K.O.S.B. v. Kowloon; Air Force v. Recreation; South China v. Scouts China "B" v. Kowloon; Royal Artillery v. South China "A"; Club Ath. v. K.O.S.B. v. St. Joseph's; Division II: "B": St. Joseph's v. Kung Woo; South China "A" v. Kowloon; Chinese Ath. v. South China "B"; Scouts v. Moslems.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; Lane Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30—6.30 p.m.
Cafe Regent and King Edward Hotel dinner dances, 8 p.m.
Hong Kong Boxing Association Tournament, Lee Theatre, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Out All Night."
World Theatre: "The Eagle."
Star Theatre: "The Show Off."
Principal Malls: Outward: Europe via Marseilles, (Morra), 10.30 a.m.; Canada, America, etc. and Europe via Victoria, B.C. and Europe via Victoria, B.C. (Tyndarova), 10 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Szechuen), 5 p.m.

Sunday.
1st Sunday after Epiphany.
Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning; Qualifying Round Junior Championship.
Yachting: Naval Day.
Theosophical Society: Lecture on "A Spiritual Awakening," by Mr. J. Russell, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 6 p.m.
"Cheer O" Y.M.C.A.: Men's Meeting, 7.45 p.m.
Dick Norton and his "Globe Trotters" in "Happy Moments," Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Principal Malls: Inward: U.S.A., etc. (Toby Mann); U.S.A., Canada, etc. (President Grant).

Monday.
Yachting: 5th Championship Race for Ladies' Section.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; Lane Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30—6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5—6.30 p.m.; H.K. University Congregation for conferring of degrees, 5 p.m.
Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Lecture on "The Spirit of America," by Mr. J. D. Bush, at St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club, 8.30 p.m.
Dick Norton, and his "Globe Trotters" in "Happy Moments," Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

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SIR A. MOND'S GRAVE
WARNING.

METHODS A CENTURY OUT OF
DATE.

The industries of this country, unless they are going to tackle these problems on a scale and with a seriousness which many of them do not yet realise is necessary, will find themselves in time displaced in the industries of the world, and rightly displaced, simply by higher technical efficiency and better scientific work.

In these words Sir Alfred Mond, M.P., called attention to the necessity for the speeding-up of scientific research and technical improvement in British industry, particularly in the production and utilisation of our coal resources. Sir Alfred was delivering his presidential address to members of the Institute of Fuel, assembled at the autumn meeting at the Institute of Electrical Engineers, and he gave an outline of the work of the National Fuel and Power Committee, of which he is chairman.

Mr. Frank Hodges as Fuel Institute Chairman.

At the outset of his address Sir Alfred Mond announced that the newly constituted Fuel Institute had secured the services as chairman of the council of Mr. Frank Hodges, who knew coal and fuel problems from the aspect of the man who cut coal out of the ground, and who had always taken a very enlightened interest in the best possible use and development of the industry. Urging the value of the institute and the need for increasing the membership, Sir Alfred said: "It is really a very melancholy fact that after all these years the fuel problems of this country are in a relatively backward and crude position. Whereas you have at command of the scale the most advanced practices, you have at the other end the most crude and out-of-date practices, more worthy of the beginning of the nineteenth century than the first quarter of the twentieth century. Only by lifting this backward mass up can we make progress, and I hope that the members of this institute will play a decisive role in the treatment and economy of fuel."

Degradation.

In view of the fact that it was possible to get higher prices for better sized coal, precautions to prevent loss by degradation or pulverisation in the handling of the material had received little attention. "Whether you see it in the mine or on the railway, still more when it is being loaded on to the ship, it seems that a fiendish delight is taken in lifting it up to a great height and throwing it down. If we were trying to produce powdered fuel the process would be understandable, but when you realise that your product is continually diminishing in value, that export coal from England is actually suffering in its competitive position, when you have to make large allowances for degradation, I do think a great deal more attention ought to be given by those responsible in all capacities, and especially the railway companies, to the way in which coal is handled in the ship."

There had been during the past year an extremely interesting development in the coal industry. It was still in the experimental stage, yet in the course of time it might easily have the most far-reaching effects. Although British coal ranked high in quality the large proportion of ash frequently contained in it was a most serious drawback. A great amount of money was wasted through thousands of tons of useless ash being hauled about the country, year after year, and carried abroad for bunkering. The process to which he alluded would, it was hoped, be capable of dealing with many classes of coal and reducing their ash from a high figure to below 2 per cent.

Fig Iron Producers.

Emphasising the need for replacing small and inadequate coke ovens in this country by installations similar to those in America and Germany, Sir Alfred said: "Good and cheap coal is of essential importance to the revival of our heavy metal industry, and you cannot expect your pig-iron producers to go on competing with foreign competitors while they have these higher prices to pay. There is still a great want of co-ordination in research work in this country. If we consider the research work in Germany set up before the war and continued ever since, and compare it with the efforts in this country, it will really make us blush."

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MAN ORDERS TROUSSEAU.

SPECIAL PARADES OF
MANNEQUINS.

WEST END SHOPS
VICTIMISED.

A man who was said to have had West End mannequins paraded before him and to have ordered trousers to the total value of £3,712 at eight establishments and then vanished, appeared before Mr. Mead, the Marlborough-street magistrate. The man, Harold Vincent, a canvasser, of no fixed address, pleaded guilty to incurring under fraudulent pretence last August £3 12s. 11d. with intent to defraud Mrs. George Alexander, proprietor of the Park View Hotel, Knightsbridge. He also admitted stealing on August 18th, at the same hotel, a wristlet watch belonging to Mrs. Maud Rice, a short-hand typist.

Mr. Muskett, for the Commissioner of Police, said that Vincent had been convicted seven times. In June 1916 he was sentenced to three years' penal servitude at a field general court-martial for absence from duty, fraud, and conduct unbecoming an officer.

Suspicion Aroused.

He came under the notice of the police again on November 16th, as the result of a visit he paid to an employment agency in Soho, where, in view of the suspicion he aroused, detectives were called in. Vincent was arrested.

It was then found, said Mr. Muskett, that Vincent had been on November 8th, 11th, and 15th to eight West End costume or lingerie establishments. The story that he told was that he had a sister in Canada about to be married and she had deputed him to come over and buy articles for her trousseau.

At each of these establishments mannequins were dressed up to show the various garments.

"And at each of these places," said Mr. Muskett, "he kept the staff for two or three hours engaged on this."

£3,712 Orders.

He ordered goods at these eight places, aggregating in value £3,712—most of the bills run into £400, £500, or £600. He said he would return and pay for them, but he did not.

On August 18th he went to the Park View Hotel and a room was allotted to him. Vincent said that he was Dr. Vincent, of Eastbourne, and that he had been giving lectures at Shanklin, Isle of Wight. He added that he had come to London to give lectures at St. George's Hospital. This was "all moonshine."

Vincent asked if he could bring a typist to the lounge of the hotel in connection with his professional work. He was given permission to use the lounge for that purpose, provided that he did not cause any inconvenience to others. There he incurred £3 12s. 11d. liability for food, wine, and so on. When the account was presented, Vincent said he would go to Cox's for the money, and he then vanished. While he was at the hotel he stole the typist's watch, a mean and despicable act, said Mr. Muskett. He pretended that he had research work of his own, and persuaded her to lend it to him. He also borrowed two sixpences for cigarettes.

The typist he gave her to do was about the blue, light and red light houses of France, work which must have been very distasteful to her. Vincent's age was 36.

Mr. Mead remanded him for a doctor's report.

The ideas in this country as to the amount which should be spent on research were entirely mistaken. In Germany enormous results had been obtained by mass research, not by putting two people on to one problem, but by putting one hundred people on to each.

We suffered through having had things too easy in the past. Something must be done to assure customers that they would get something different and better every time they ordered coal. That would do more to maintain export markets than price cutting, which seemed to be the only solution that had occurred to anyone so far. Some people were getting excited because the population was getting too large. "But we are not," said Sir Alfred. "A static frozen mass. We are a living creative organism, and we shall find that with the progress we are making, largely through institutes like ours, we shall make plenty of employment in our countries, opportunities to provide a better standard of living, and a better future for the human race, better utilisation of the powers of Nature harnessed for the benefit of humanity, even than we had in the past century, which we had looked on as the most progressive in human thought." (Cheers.)

LORD ROSEBURY AS YACHTSMAN.

TO BUY LORD IVEAGH'S
"SEA FAY."

The Earl of Rosebery, at 81 years of age, is contemplating the purchase of a new yacht.

It is the famous *Sea Fay*, the palatial little screw-schooner of the late Earl of Iveagh. The vessel, which is lying at Cowes, is being surveyed, and if the report of the surveyors is satisfactory it will pass into the ownership of Lord Rosebery at an early date.

It was stated at the Durdans, Epsom, that the uses to which the *Sea Fay* would be put in its new ownership had not been considered, as the whole matter was "still so much in the air," but it is thought that the yacht may be used for coastal cruising and possibly trips in the Mediterranean. It is only a small vessel, 210 tons, but is luxuriously equipped and has cabins for four or five guests. It has been described as one of the most comfortable "owner's boats" in existence.

Lord Rosebery, who is a member of the Royal Yacht Squadron, at one time did a great deal of yachting. During the present year he has gone about a great deal more than he had done for a long time previously.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Jan. 3rd.

Paris	124
Brussels	34.00
Amsterdam	12.03
Berlin	20.45
Copenhagen	18.20
Vienna	34.55
Helsingfors	103
Lisbon	27.16
Bucharest	700
Buenos Aires	47.13/16
New York	4.83.5/32
Geneva	25.25
Milan	92.35
Stockholm	18.11
Oslo	18.34
Prague	164
Madrid	28.39
Rio	30.1
Algeria	5.57/84
Bombay	1/8.1/18
Yokohama	1/11.1/32
Shanghai	2/7
Hong Kong	2/0
Silver (spot)	25 1/2
Silver (forward)	25.5/10

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JANUARY 4TH, 1928.

H.K. Bank\$1,152 1/2 buy, 1,153 ss.
Do.London, 212 1/2 ss.
Chartered Bank221 buy.
Oversea-Chinese	.....223 1/2 ss.
Do.	.....214 ss.
P. & O. Bank	.....210 ss.
East Asia Bank	.....270 buy.
Canton Insurance	.....\$590 buy.
Union Insurance	.....\$297 buy, 298 ss.
North China Ins.	.....Tls. 143 nom.
Yong Sang Insurance	.....M. \$468 buy.
China Underwriters	.....\$1.80 buy.
China Fire Insurance	.....\$215 nom.
Fong Kong Fire Ins.	.....\$665 buy.
Douglas	.....\$143 nom.
Steamboats	.....\$35 buy.
H.K. Tugs	.....\$5.10 buy.
Indo-China (Fr.)	.....\$30 nom.
Do.	.....\$48 nom.
Shell Transport	.....90/ nom.
Waterworks	.....17 1/2 buy.
Benzette	.....\$2 nom.
Kailan Mining Ad.	.....61/8 nom.
Langkat (combined)	.....Tls. 18 1/2 buy.
Do.	.....Tls. 84 buy.
Shan. Explorations	.....Tls. 34 buy.
Shanghai Loans	.....Tls. 6 1/2 buy.
Ranb	.....\$34 nom.
Tromb Mines217/8 buy.
H.K. & K. Wharfs\$127 1/2 buy, 128 ss.
H.K. & W. Docks\$34 buy.
China Provident\$4 buy, 405 ss.
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New EngineeringTls. 5 nom.
Shanghai DocksTls. 90 buy.
Ewo CottonsTls. 7.20 buy.
Oriental	.....Tls. 14 nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	.....Tls. 3 1/4 buy.
Do.	.....Tls. 2 1/2 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	.....\$5 buy.
H.K. Lands	.....\$63 buy.
Shanghai Lands	.....Tls. 124 buy.
Humphreys Estates	.....\$143 buy, 143 ss.
Hong Kong Realities	.....\$7.30 nom.
H.K. Territorials	.....\$14 nom.
H.K. Tramways	.....\$23 1/2 buy, 24 ss.
Peak Tram (old)	.....\$14 sel.
Do.	.....\$7 sel.
Star Ferries	.....\$58 buy, 58 1/2 ss.
China Light (comb.)	.....\$18.20 buy.
Do.	.....\$94 buy.
Do.	.....\$64 buy.
H.K. Electric	.....\$61 buy, 60/61 ss.
Macao Electric	.....\$44 buy.
Telephones	.....\$3.80 buy.
China Buses	.....Tls. 64 nom.
Singapore Traction	.....11/9 buy.
China Sugars	.....\$94 sel.
Malayan Sugars\$27 1/2 ss.
Canton Ice\$24 buy.
Cement (combined)\$7.70 buy, 7.65 sel.
Do.\$6.80 buy.
Do.\$6.80 buy.
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ROUND THE POLICE COURTS.

SHANGHAI TO MANILA IN A LIFEBOAT.

A RUSSIAN'S EXPLOIT.

Michael Ivanoff, a young Russian, is a specialist in stowing away but his latest attempt to get a free passage from Shanghai to Manila in one of the a.s. *President McKinley's* lifeboats met with failure. While the vessel was in Hong Kong on her way to Manila, Ivanoff did not show his face as he is one of the "not wanted." A search carried out by the ship's officers a day after leaving Hong Kong, so as to be on the safe side with the Manila authorities who take a serious view of contraband cases, proved Ivanoff's undoing.

When charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy yesterday with stowing away on the vessel, Ivanoff showed that he stowed away to Hong Kong from Shanghai in January last year and was sent to the House of Detention as a vagrant. Subsequently he was sent to Macao. In February he again stowed away to Hong Kong, this time from Swatow and received one month's gaol after which he was sent away. He again came here from Swatow, this time on foot, having walked all the way. He was sent to the House of Detention, and on August 11th last was deported for one year.

In reply to the Magistrate, defendant said he knew the ship was coming to Hong Kong first, but he had no intention of landing here. Ivanoff was led out of the dock in tears after his worship had pronounced sentence, which was \$100, or six weeks' imprisonment, for stowing away, and three months' hard labour for returning from banishment.

ALLEGED SEDITIOUS PAMPHLETS.

The case in which six Chinese men are charged with possession of seditious papers was again before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. At the previous hearing a woman defendant was discharged. The third defendant was represented yesterday by Mr. Ho Shung Lo, instructed by Mr. A. J. Arechil.

Sergeant Heywood, recalled, gave evidence of taking the prisoners to the office of the S.C.A. for investigation. Mr. Lo said he did not propose to call evidence for the defence. Apart from the confession, there was no evidence against the three defendants, and in the second place the circulars were not seditious. Mr. Lo argued that his client could not be punished if the papers were of a seditious nature against the Kuomintang or the Peking Government.

The case was adjourned until next Tuesday at 11 a.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY TRAGEDY.

Lo Chi Hing, a student, was again before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with the alleged manslaughter of another student, Ho Kwong Hoi. The defendant was represented by Mr. L. D. Turner. A remand was given until next Wednesday, bail being allowed in the sum of \$1,000.

The charge is a sequel to the death of a lad from the effects of a blow, alleged to have been struck by the defendant, at a gathering in the rooms of the South China Athletic Association on Christmas night.

"THE DOG KING."

Sergeant Kelly, known among the Chinese as the "dog king," brought summonses against the owners of two dogs, at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Mrs. C. I. Cooke, of No. 9, The Peak, had to answer a summons for allowing a terrier to be at large without a muzzle or lead. Asked by Mr. R. E. Lindell if she had any explanation to offer, Mrs. Cooke said:—"It was just allowed out, I presume." A fine of \$3 was imposed.

Mr. C. Onslow admitted keeping a dog without a licence and allowing the animal to wander about unmuzzled. Fines of \$5 on each summons were imposed.

KNITTERS' UNION PROPERTY CONFISCATED.

Before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, an application was made for the confiscation of furniture belonging to the Knitters' Union, of No. 456, Shanghai Street, Yau-mati.

Sub-Inspector Fallon, who made the application stated that the furniture was removed from the premises after a notification had appeared in the *Government Gazette* on December 15th declaring the Knitters' Union to be an unlawful society. Mr. L. H. V. Booth supported the application stating that he visited the premises on December 19th in his capacity as a Justice of the Peace, under power granted to enter without a warrant, and he ordered the seizure of certain documents, inscriptions and other articles.

The Magistrate made the necessary order for confiscation.

WING LOK STREET FIGHT.

CASE OPENED AGAINST SECOND PRISONER.

SAYS HE WAS ORDERED TO PARTICIPATE.

Another instalment of the story of the shooting of Sergt. McMahon and Chinese and Indian constables on December 7th, by four gunmen, was unfolded at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. R. E. Lindell.

One of the men who is alleged to have taken part in this "grain" skirmish was charged (a) that he and others not in custody went to the Mee Sun Restaurant with offensive weapons and assaulted the inmates, stealing from them \$150 and a long gown; (b) that at Wing Lok Street, he did maliciously shoot at police officers with intent to kill; (c) that he also fired at Constable No. 146 with intent to resist search and (d) with unlawful having in his possession one revolver and 3 rounds of ammunition without a permit.

Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.

Evidence given by the manager of the Mee Sun Restaurant was to the effect that on the day in question, defendant and another man came in to his shop at 1.30 a.m. There were nine *fukis* in the shop, but the defendant and his friend were the only two customers. They ordered two beef-steaks and samshu. While they were regaling themselves, two more men came to the shop and occupied another table. The late comers ordered chicken and rice and also samshu. These men were served, and as the hour was getting late, witness ordered one of his *fukis* to close up, but leaving the four men to finish at their leisure.

The Shop Held Up.

The manager and his *fukis* then sat down to a late supper, and while they were eating, two of the men got up and made their way toward the counter. Thinking that the witness also got up. The two men paid and then produced revolvers and covered the witness. All the *fukis* were then driven into a rear cubicle, and assisted by the other two supposed customers, the inmates of the shop were then bound and gagged.

A systematic search for money and property was carried out and the thieves got away with \$180 and a long gown. Several waiters at the restaurant corroborated.

Fight With The Police Patrol.

Earlier in the proceedings prosecuting counsel said that the movements of the gang were lost sight of following the robbery until they met the police patrol, headed by Sergt. McMahon, at Wing Lok Street.

Here they were called upon to stop for search, but they at once opened fire at the police officers, wounding Sergt. McMahon, and others. Two Chinese constables died as the result of wounds received. Sergt. McMahon and an Indian constable are still in hospital. The constables on the side of the gunmen were one shot dead and one wounded.

Prisoner's Story.

At the Police Station the defendant was said to have volunteered the information that he was given the revolver and ordered to hold up the *fukis*. He told his confederates that he was afraid to do so, but that they insisted and he had no alternative.

As to shooting at the police, defendant denied the charge. He said he was ordered to be searched and he at once put up his hands. The case was adjourned until to-morrow afternoon.

A BRIGHTER OUTLOOK.

The papers report that a regular school for kidnappers has been discovered at Shanghai.

For peace and serenity craving, Full often I've had to deplore The boisterous way of behaving Passed by the youngster next door.

My windows, though hidden to spare the room breaking he never refrains, And I am compelled to repair them With infinite pains.

His habit of shouting and shrieking Appears even worse than a crime To one who is busily seeking A neat and ingenious rhyme.

But his parents would only repel me Were I to complain of his noise, And (rather unhelpfully) tell me That boys will be boys.

But now, in the place of expending My breath in a profitless sigh, I'll seek a revenge by attending This excellent school at Shanghai.

No more shall he bid me defiance, My course I have carefully mapped, And as soon as I've mastered the science, That kid will be napped.

—T.H. in the *Manchester Guardian*.

ECHO OF NANKING OUTRAGE.

QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

THE MURDERED BRITISH DOCTOR.

COMPENSATION FOR THE WIDOW.

In the House of Commons on November 25th, Sir R. Luce (C. Dorset) asked the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether his attention had been called to the case of Mrs. Marion Smith, widow of the late Dr. L. Satchwell Smith, who was murdered by Chinese Nationalist soldiers at the taking of Nanking on March 24th, 1927, and whether he was aware that Mrs. Smith had been offered the small sum of £1,000 by the Nationalist Government as compensation.

Mr. Locker-Lampson: The case of Mrs. Smith is one with which I feel great sympathy, and which I am following with close attention. On August 24th last, His Majesty's Consul-General at Nanking reported that he had received from the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs a cheque for \$10,000 (about £1,000), payable to Mrs. Smith. The cheque was accompanied by a letter stating that the Nationalist authorities, considering the circumstances of Dr. Smith's widow, had decided to make her a compassionate allowance of this amount, and expressing their regret and sympathy. Mrs. Smith was reluctant to accept this cheque unless it was made clear that it was in no way in prejudice of her claim to full compensation. The decision as to the answer to be given to the Nationalist authorities was left in her hands, in consultation with her lawyers, and I have not yet been informed whether she has accepted the cheque or not.

In the letter handed to the Chinese authorities at Hankow and Shanghai on April 11th last, it was stated that His Majesty's Government required "complete reparation for personal injuries and material damage done." It is our intention to persist in this demand.

RESERVISTS FROM CHINA.

Commodore King, Financial Secretary to the War Office (Paddington, S.), informed Mr. W. Baker (Bristol, E. Lab.) that every effort was being made by the local branches of the National Association for the Employment of Regular Sailors, Soldiers, and Airmen, and by the Incorporated Sailors' and Sailors' Help Society to obtain employment for Section A reservists on their return from China.

In reply to Mr. Thurtle (Shoreditch, Lab.), Commodore King said the Secretary of State had made appeals to previous employers, and he hoped these appeals would be responded to.

ENGLISH AS SHE IS WROTE.

"LADIES CAN HAVE FITS UPSTAIRS."

A young missionary now in Shanghai writes:

"The influence of Great Britain in China is remarkable. For instance, we find English printing on the currency, English printing on the postage stamps, and the common language outside of Chinese is 'pidgin English.'

"Some of the shop signs are very amusing, for the 'English' is not all that it should be. On a milliner's shop in Szechuen-road is a sign, 'Orders promptly executed, while over a furrier's is the sign, 'Far coats made to order, your skin or ours.' At another milliner's shop is the notice, 'Ladies can have fits upstairs,' and in a candy shop we read, 'Try our candy, each peace made with tender care.'

The Rev. Walter Weston, formerly British Chaplain at Yokohama, adds the following examples:—"Over a Transport Agency Office: 'Leave your luggage with us; we will send it in every direction.'

"Over a dressmaker's shop: 'Clothing of the upper story.' 'In a tramcar on a country line near Miyazaki, frequented by English-speaking travellers: 'All persons who are lunatics, intoxicated, or infected are not allowed in here.'

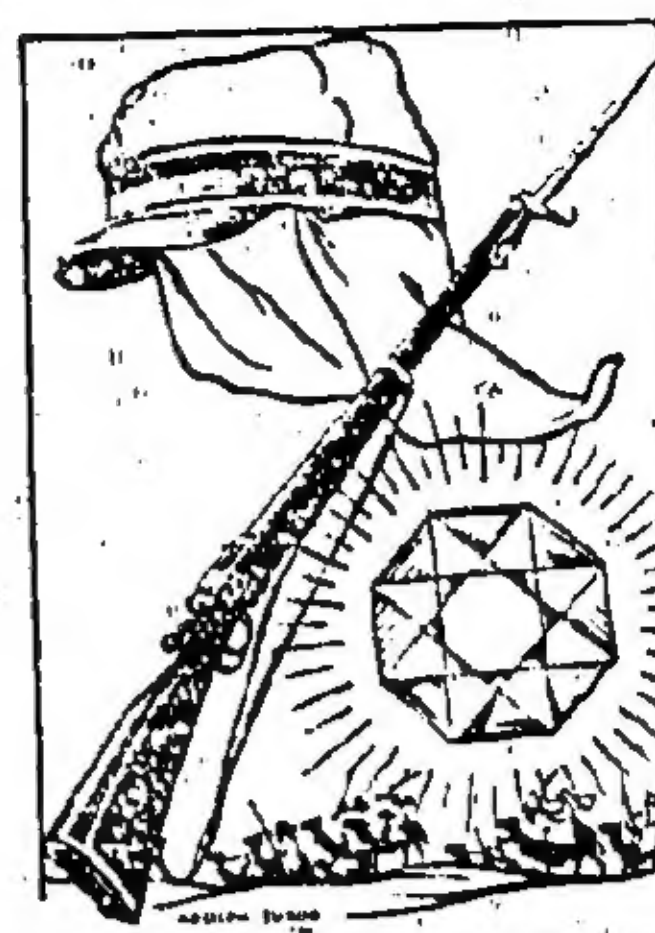
"A Night Of Horror"—In England.

"It may, perhaps, in this connection be permissible to set off against these two instances of unintentional humour perpetrated in the streets of a well-known country town in Surrey which some years ago I noted on a walk between Dorking and Epsom."

"On the notice-board of a way-side chapel it was announced that 'On Saturday night at 8 p.m. the annual potato-pie supper will be held. The subject of the sermon on Sunday morning will be 'A night of horror.'"

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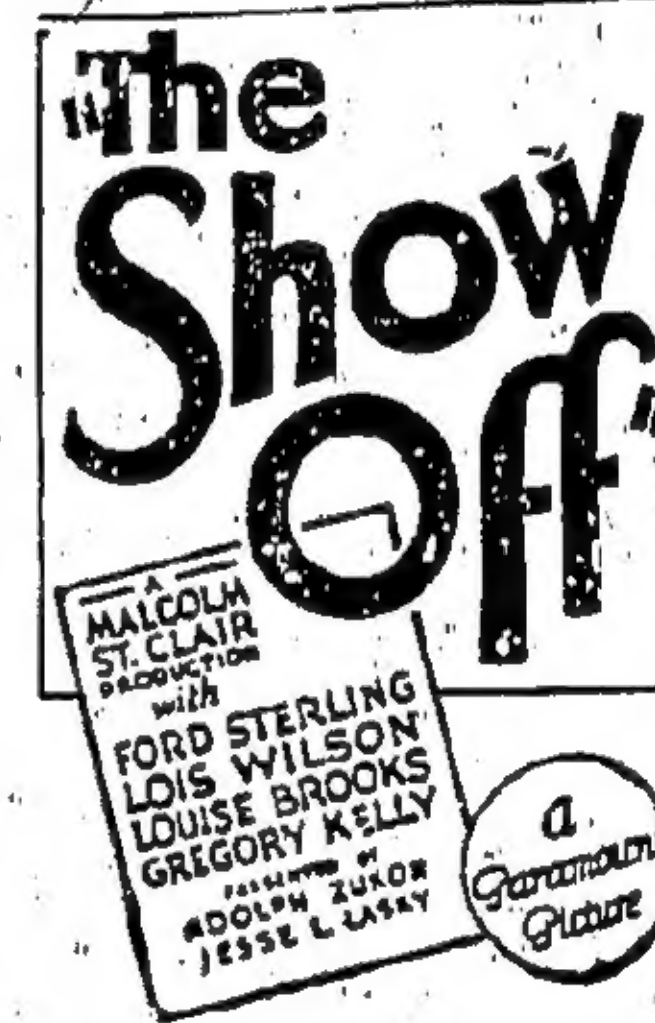
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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.35 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone remains stationary and has increased in intensity. Fresh to strong monsoon will prevail along the coast and over the N. China Sea.

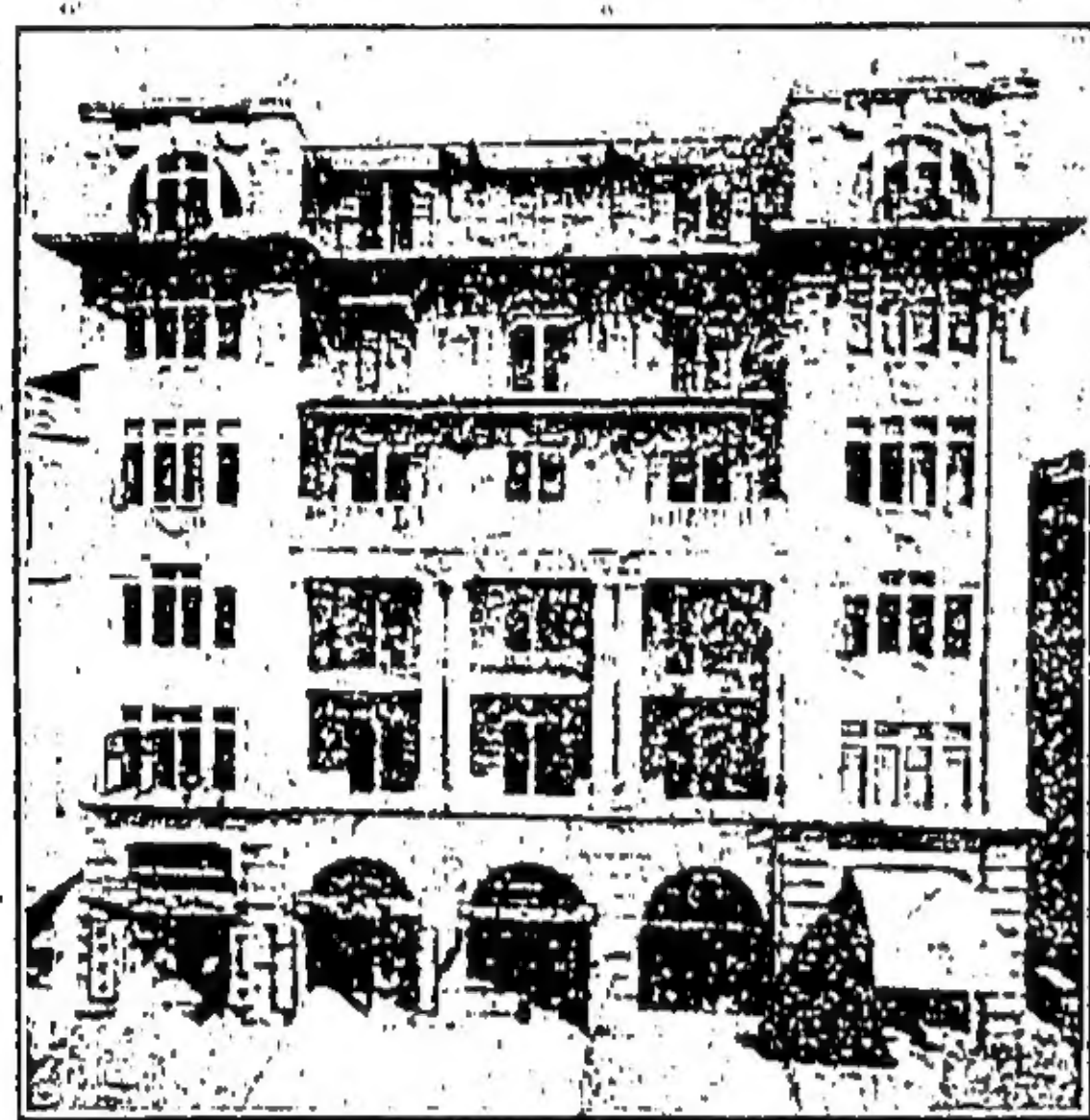
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[A.P. 12]

WHEN SKIPPER AND MATE DISAGREE.

THE "ON LEE"—KWONG FOOK CHEONG
COLLISION.

MASTER'S TICKET SUSPENDED FOR A YEAR.

Heated accusations against Captain Fernandez by Mr. D. Bousfield of the s.s. *On Lee* were heard yesterday at the Marine Court when an enquiry was held into the circumstances of the collision between this vessel and the s.s. *Kwong Fook Cheong* on December 28th, while both ships were nearing Kowloon.

Mr. Bousfield also protested to the Court at the short notice given him to prepare his case. The Court allowed him to engage legal assistance and when he returned in the afternoon he accused Mr. Fernandez, master of the *On Lee*, of writing up the log four days after the accident.

Mr. Bousfield also accused Mr. Fernandez of making him sign the log without giving him an opportunity to read it. He called three witnesses to substantiate his statement, but to no avail. The Court after a whole day sitting found Mr. Bousfield grossly negligent and suspended his master's ticket for one year.

Commander G. F. Hole presided over the inquiry and the assessors were: Lt. Comdr. C. B. Elbow, of H.M.S. *Titanic*; Captain H. W. Walker, of s.s. *Kwong Tung*; Captain A. Campbell, of s.s. *Sai On*; and Captain J. W. Milne, of s.s. *Kwongchow*.

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton appeared for the master, Capt. F. M. Morren, and owner of the s.s. *Kwong Fook Cheong*, and Mr. Leo d'Almada, Sr., was for Captain Fernandez, formerly master of the *On Lee*.

Mr. John Wilson, Chief Officer of the *Kwong Fook Cheong* said in evidence that on December 28th, at 5.45 a.m. the *Kwong Fook Cheong* was three miles below Kowloon, with himself on the bridge. The *On Lee* was astern of them about a couple of miles away until they had passed Plover Island.

The *On Lee* approached them on the port side but did not signal. They were then on a straight course and were going at about 5 knots. When the *Kwong Fook Cheong*'s bow was abreast of the *On Lee*,

She suddenly sheered to starboard and crossed the *Kwong Fook Cheong*'s bow. Witnesses at once put her helm hard a port and stopped her engines, but not in time to prevent the collision. The *On Lee* was struck on her port quarter, and several plates, above water line, were buckled as a result of the impact.

The *On Lee* was a faster ship and had to get ahead of the *Kwong Fook Cheong* to get to the wharf. They were, however, about 3 miles off the wharf at the time, and there was no necessity for the *On Lee* to cross his bow. She should have passed us to starboard as there was plenty of room.

In reply to Mr. d'Almada, witness said that the *On Lee* was about two ships' length away when first sighted.

Capt. J. M. Morren, master of the *Kwong Fook Cheong* was then called. He said that on December 28th, he was in command. At 5.45 a.m. he was in his cabin when he felt the impact of the collision. The vessel heeled over to starboard. When he went up on board, he found the *On Lee* was about 30 degrees across his bow and heading for the starboard side. She was about 40 feet away. His helm was hard a port and full astern. The chief officer was on the bridge, who told him that the *On Lee* had overtaken the *Kwong Fook Cheong* on the port side, and when her amidship section was across the port bow of the *Kwong Fook Cheong*, the *On Lee* suddenly sheered to starboard. Witness ordered helm to be steadied and started the engines 'slow ahead'. The *On Lee* was by this time well clear.

The Chinese pilot of the *Kwong Fook Cheong* said that he could not remember the day, but could recall the occasion. He heard one blast from the *On Lee* at about 6.45. He replied with two blasts.

When the *On Lee* was abreast of him, he stopped the engines. Before that the *Kwong Fook Cheong* was going about 3 knots. Witness gave orders to the engine room under the instruction of the Chief Officer.

At this stage, the Court said that it had enough of witness's evidence, as it was quite obvious that the man was repeating like a parrot, what he had carefully learned by heart. He was accordingly ordered out of the witness box.

An Indignant Mate.
Mr. D. Bousfield, who was the Chief Officer of the *On Lee*, at the time of the collision.

On entering the box, Mr. Bousfield expressed his indignation at the short notice given him for his appearance in Court. He said that the notice was not served until 9.30 a.m. that morning and he had had no time to engage legal assistance.

An adjournment until the afternoon was given the Court holding that it was only fair that Mr. Bousfield should have legal assistance as his certificate might be jeopardized.

The Afternoon Hearing.

Mr. F. G. Vaux appeared for Mr. D. Bousfield, at the afternoon hearing.

Mr. Bousfield in the witness box said: I am now master of the *On Lee*, but before the collision, I was chief officer. I was on duty December 28th/29th from Wangmoon to Kowloon. The No. 2 pilot was with me on duty. On leaving Wangmoon the *Kwong Fook Cheong* was ahead of us. I first sighted her before we reached Pakkai Island, about three miles from Kowloon. She was about on our starboard bow, approximately about 2 miles away.

Our ship was faster than the *Kwong Fook Cheong*. She was then going 7 knots and our best speed was 11 knots. We overtook her at about 6 a.m. She was then on our starboard side about a ship's length away. We passed clear ahead and got a mile away. We were then doing about 11 knots but slowed down to about 4 knots. We did this because we were not allowed to enter Pakkai before 6.30 a.m.

About ten to fifteen minutes later, I felt a slight shock, and when I looked round, I saw that a few plates on our starboard side had been damaged. I also saw the *Kwong Fook Cheong*, she was going full speed to get clear. We were then about two miles from Pakkai. The collision at the time of the collision was fairly good.

I did not hear any signals from the *Kwong Fook Cheong*. After the collision, we proceeded on to Pakkai. The Captain came up to the bridge and after looking at over side, he walked back into his cabin.

The Log.

The official log of the *On Lee* bearing the entry concerning the collision was written on December 28th, four days later in my presence. That entry was signed by me, but I did not read it before signing. I was at the time in the Harbour Office. I was called back in a hurry to sign the log. The version in the official log is not true and I am now giving the true story.

Cross-examination.

Mr. d'Almada: According to your statement, the Captain had nothing to do with the collision?—Yes, he was not on the bridge at the time, but he came up afterwards.

Mr. d'Almada: His cabin was on the bridge?—Yes, all our cabins are on the bridge.

A Silent Pair.

Mr. d'Almada: And being promptly on the bridge, what enquiries did he make?—Nothing at all, he walked out of his room and back again.

Mr. d'Almada: And you did not speak to him?—Yes.

Mr. d'Almada: Being the officer on-watch, didn't you think it was your duty to tell him?—No, I did not think it was my duty because he did not ask me.

Mr. d'Almada: Not having communicated with each other in reference to this matter, who spoke to the Captain afterwards?—I did, after the ship was moored in the dock.

Mr. d'Almada: And at 9 a.m. what report did you make to him?—Only told him that a few plates, above water mark were damaged.

Mr. d'Almada: Did he say anything?—No, he made no reply.

Mr. d'Almada: And, may I take it from you that you had no further communication, until when?—Until about 1 p.m.

Questioned about the log, Mr. Bousfield said: On December 28th a gentleman from the Harbour Office told me that the official log was required. I went back to the ship and told the Captain about it. He then asked me to write it up for him, but I refused. He then wrote up the log, signed it in my presence and then put it in front of me and asked me to sign. I did, but I did not read it although I had the opportunity of doing so.

Mr. d'Almada: When did you first read the log?—It was on January 1st.

Mr. d'Almada: Was the ship in Hong Kong when you read it?—Yes.

"A Tissue Of Lies."

Mr. d'Almada: And when you did read it, were you satisfied that it contained a tissue of lies?—Yes.

Mr. d'Almada: Having discovered the lies, have you taken steps to remedy it as far as you yourself were concerned?—I spoke to the owner and the chief engineer.

Mr. d'Almada: Did you make an attempt to see the Harbour authorities about it?—I did. I came to the Harbour office on Monday yesterday and waited about an hour to see the assistant Harbour master. He was engaged, so I left.

Mr. d'Almada: Do you agree, Mr. Bousfield, that as far as the collision was concerned, you were the officer responsible at the time?—Yes.

Mr. d'Almada: Can you suggest any reason why the Captain should enter a tissue of lies in the log?—He is an abominable liar. I have never known him tell the truth.

Mr. d'Almada: Was there any grievance between you?—Since he returned to the ship after sick leave, there was nothing but grievances. He thought I was after his post, but as a matter of fact, it was offered to me and I turned it down.

"Ignored" By The Captain.

Cross-examined by Mr. Hall Brutton, Mr. Bousfield said that he had kept a scrap log book. It had an entry with reference to the collision, but he did not think of bringing it to Court with him.

He said the master of the *On Lee*, Mr. Fernandez, had always ignored him and used to go to the Chinese pilot for any thing he wanted done. Mr. Hall Brutton then asked if witness could say whether the official log of the *On Lee* was right or whether his own statement in Court was right. This was, however, ruled out by the Court as the question amounted to calling either one of the parties a liar.

Questioned about the collision, Mr. Bousfield said he could not suggest any reason why the *Kwong Fook Cheong* should have rammed the *On Lee*, as there was plenty of water on her starboard side. The *Kwong Fook Cheong* was then "in mid-stream."

Capt. Fernandez's Story.

Capt. A. Fernandez, who was in command of the s.s. *On Lee* at the time of the collision, said that he was in his cabin when the two ships collided. He immediately went to the bridge, but found the Chief Officer, Mr. Bousfield, not on watch. He was given details of the collision by the No. 2 Chinese pilot who was navigating at the time.

Capt. Fernandez denied writing his log up four days after the collision. He wrote it on the afternoon of the same day while the vessel was in Kowloon. He requested Mr. Bousfield to sign it, but was told that there would be plenty of time to do so. Mr. Bousfield kept up the same excuse until December 28th, when he was made to sign.

The Court again adjourned at 4.15 p.m. for twenty minutes for Mr. Bousfield to call witnesses to substantiate his statement that he was on watch at the time.

Three witnesses were called from the *On Lee*, but they all testified that they did not see Mr. Bousfield on the bridge at the time.

The Findings.

The Court then rose at 5.10 p.m. to consider their findings, which were given out at 6 p.m. as follows:

We find that about 6 a.m. on the 28th December, 1927, the s.s. *On Lee* when on a voyage from Wangmoon to Kowloon, overtook the s.s. *Kwong Fook Cheong*.

The *On Lee* forged ahead on the port bow of the *Kwong Fook Cheong* and the latter's bows were sucked in towards the *On Lee* causing her Port Bow to come into collision with the starboard side of the *On Lee* and causing slight damage.

We find that the *On Lee* was to blame in that she passed too close (when abreast) to the *Kwong Fook Cheong*.

We find that Mr. David Bousfield who was officer of the watch of s.s. *On Lee* at the time was absent from the bridge at the time of the collision without having been properly relieved for which very grave fault we adjudge that his Certificate of Competency as Extra Master be suspended for one year, and that a Certificate of Competency as 1st Mate (Foreign Going) be issued to him for that period.

CHANG TSO LIN ON POSTAGE STAMPS.

Chang Tso Lin stamps will be soon placed on sale, according to information from Chinese circles.

To mark the inauguration of the dictator the government has decided to issue commemorative stamps bearing the portrait of Marshal Chang Tso Lin. A design has been made and approved by the dictator. The Bureau of Printing and Engraving attached to the Ministry of Finance is now busy at work printing on the new stamps.

The stamps will be in denominations of one cent, four cents, ten cents and one dollar. 4,000,000 stamps will be used for circulation in China, while 370,000 will be issued for the use of Sinkiang. In addition to these, 1,500,000 will be distributed in Kirin and Heilungking.

THE EVOLUTION OF ETHICS.

LEARNED ADDRESS TO
LOCAL RATIONALIST
ASSOCIATION.

"SPONTANEOUS INDEPENDENT IMPULSES."

Mr. J. D. Bush read an interesting and learned paper at yesterday's meeting of the Hong Kong Rationalist Association.

The subject was "Reconstruction in Modern Ethics," and the desired reconstruction is evidently "the form of the replacement of the religious ethical type" of ethics by the "autonomous or pursuit of the higher self interest."

Mr. Bush argues that ethical standards are subject to the law of change and that there is no "absolute" in this matter. He evidently prefers "spontaneous independent impulses" as a guide to any of the fixed laws of religion.

In the course of his paper he said:

The questions that have been raised again and again in ethics may be stated briefly as follows:

1. What is the nature of good?
2. How is goodness to be attained?
3. How are we to conserve goodness for the welfare of the individual and the social group?

To put all these questions into one familiar sentence, it will be: "What is the chief end of life or the 'highest good' or Summum Bonum, in the Latin phrase?"

Socrates says that knowledge is virtue, that is, virtuous or moral conduct is the result of knowledge. Plato, in his "Ideal Republic," tells us that in order to realise virtuous conduct, it presupposes a certain form of society, the state. Aristotle declares that virtuous endeavour is to be attained by the help of reason, in that "reason" alone can assure a wise moderation of passion and desire, and protect us from the too much or the too little. Aristotle, like Plato, lays the emphasis on the ethical importance of the state, that is, Ethics and Politics are inseparable.

Ever since the days of the Socratic school of Ethics to the present, the two greatest opposing views of the origin of moral obligation are:

Heteronomous, or religio-ethical type and the autonomous, or pursuit of the higher self-interest.

The essential point of difference between the two is this:

The heteronomous or religio-ethical type finds the origin and sanction of moral conduct of the individual in obedience and submission to certain precepts which are invariable and unchangeable. The autonomous type of ethics places the origin of moral conduct in "spontaneous independent impulses."

"Scientific Moralists."

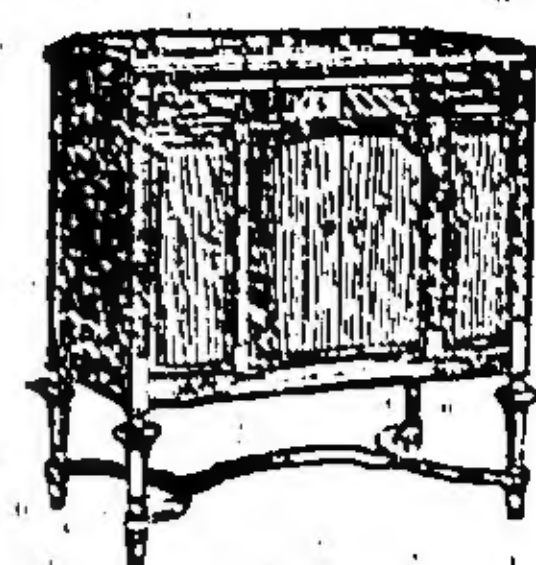
The scientific moralists, in the light of modern science, are inclined to decide in favour of the autonomous type. They maintain that the man who refrains from a crime through fear of the law of the State may not feel a direct moral obligation to keep from criminal action. Then, also, the man who tries to order his life according to certain precepts in order for the sake of pleasing God or the Church and not satisfying his inner freedom, is likewise having his will through fear and coercion to an external authority.

"When Mankind Has Arrived."

The controversy resolves into this: When mankind has arrived at such a state of civilisation, when philosophy and science grow more powerful and religion has discarded its dogmas, which type of Ethics satisfies us more, the evolutionist Ethics or the intuitionist Ethics? (that is, the assumption of an innate conscience.) There can be no doubt, if we were to take the consensus of opinions among the scholars of the world, that the tendency will be to accept the evolutionist Ethics. By considering moral phenomena as phenomena of evolution, which are in accordance with the physical, biological and social laws, we are better able to find a rational generalisation so as to formulate the general rules of conduct from a clearly-defined cause of morality. In other words, modern philosophers, as I have just said, are decidedly in favour of having Ethics on the empirical knowledge of science, such as psychology, political economy and biology.

Flexible Human Morals!

Human morals have passed through the same development, from the lowest to the highest, as those of the social animals. Such being our premise, it is not rash to draw the conclusion that moral values of man are not fixed, stereotyped and static. These moral values should be looked upon as (Continued on next Column.)



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PROPOSED REDUCTION OF CAPITAL.

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The resolution to be put to the meeting is as follows:

"That the Capital of the Company be reduced from \$1,500,000 divided into 150,000 shares of \$10 each to—\$900,000—divided into 150,000 shares of \$6 each, and that such reduction be effected by cancelling the capital which has been lost or is unrepresented by available assets to the extent of \$6 per share upon each of the 150,000 shares which have been issued and are now outstanding and by reducing the nominal amount of all shares in the Company's Capital from \$10 to \$6 per share."

something flexible, vital and growing. Even the most advanced standards and ideals of man can have no terminus or limit to be reached. The Mosaic Law itself has undoubtedly undergone much transformation to be what it is. They can be always in the process of growing and transforming. The evolutionary philosophy has given us the idea that growth in life is the only moral end to be attaining all the time, such as the law of Nature has taught us. Nature, by the way, from the viewpoint of evolutionary philosophy, is not our enemy, but our best ethical teacher. We must be able to see in Nature its inexhaustible, which is the real source of immortal youth. It is quite true that man possesses the advantage of both natural and artificial selections. But even in natural selection, man should be the co-worker instead of being the antagonist, as the result of the narrow view, which some are inclined to take of the evolutionary philosophy. Evolution consists of cosmic, inorganic and organic evolution. Again, organic evolution consists of that of the body, the mind and society. In the evolution of mind and society, we may trace the ethical process, apart from the cosmic, which we are made to believe, is always crimson with blood. In the ethical process, we can get rid of much of the sense of struggle, the convulsion, despair and gnashing of teeth. In the ethical process is the path to liberation and high endeavour. Having Ethics on the Law of Nature can also lift man above all pettiness and minimise the undue importance attached to the personal "me." If I had had more time at my command, I may go on to elaborate on the views of Professor MacDougall as set forth in his recent book entitled, "Ethics and World Problems," which is quite in line with our discussion, namely, to build National and Universal Ethics on the Utilitarian principles of greatest happiness and culture for the greatest number.

LI TSAI HSIN WELCOMED BACK IN CANTON.

HEAD OF THE GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL KUOMINTANG.

RUMOURS OF KWANGSI SUCCESSES IN THE EAST RIVER.

General Li Tsai Hsin received a very cordial welcome in Canton. It cannot be said that the whole city was beflagged and that the populace turned out to welcome him as their one hope of peace and good government, but at least his own party staged quite a creditable affair. Canton certainly realises that things have not gone well since his departure, but is less certain as to whether he would have been able to avert the troubles. Now he is acclaimed as head of the local Kuomintang, as well as head of the Government.

THE FRONT.

There are rumours of fighting on the East River, and since our reports are from Kwangsi sources not immediately they tell of successes by that party though nothing decisive is claimed. Probably no one has been very badly hurt up to the present, though outposts and pickets may have exchanged a few shots. The Fukien leader, Chen Ming Shui, is expected in Canton, and in certain quarters attempts are being made to set him up as mediator. Then himself seems as elusive as most Chinese leaders and to one knows where he is.

CANTON UNABLE TO RECOVER.

The city itself is still unable to recover from the recent upheaval. The currency is in chaos, banks closed and business at a standstill. A few attempts at organising street patrols are being made.

THE ARRIVAL.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

General Li Tsai Hsin, Commander of the Army of the 4th Route, and leader of the Kwangsi Party in South China, arrived at Canton by the s.s. Patsan from Hong Kong yesterday morning, when he and his party were received by the principal civil and military officials of the city. A detachment of troops and regiments of labour unions, the Kwangsi clique. The Kwangsi clique, the larger department stores have only partly opened. The Sun Company is again working its hotel and restaurant, but the merchandise section is closed. The currency chaos to carry on, holds up all important business.

The Military Commission in Canton, organized some time ago in order to allow General Chang Fat and others to participate in military affairs in South China, is to be abolished, and the command of all troops will be in the hands of General Li Tsai Hsin.

Opinion in Canton is that the object of the visit of the Chinese, Hui-shi to South China waters the other day was to look for a command and not to attack the Chinese gunboats supporting the Kwangsi clique. Despite official encouragement, the larger department stores have only partly opened. The Sun Company is again working its hotel and restaurant, but the merchandise section is closed. The currency chaos to carry on, holds up all important business.

QUIET IN THE CITY.

Except for the continuous search for hidden weapons, especially in certain residences at Tungshan, the district where many officials and Russians used to live, everything has been quiet in Canton City during the last few days. Sunday and Monday were official holidays of the Government offices, being closed. The staffs early on the routine—more or less—under hourly expectation of dismissal.

Mr. C. L. Tan, sometime Commissioner for Foreign Affairs in Canton, has been reappointed to the same post, relieving Mr. Chu Chao Hsin, who held the post for the last four weeks. The Canton Administration is now almost penniless, the 4th Army when it evacuated the city, having taken everything worth while with it.

ANOTHER "LOAN" FROM MERCHANTS CONSIDERED.

The Kwangsi Military Authorities are considering the advisability of borrowing from the property owners in Canton City a sum equal to three months' rent. That means the property owners in the City will have to give up their January, February, and March rents in order to relieve the financial difficulty of the Kwangsi Army to which the Canton merchants extended a hearty welcome upon its return last Thursday and Friday.

Canton paper money is still not negotiable at par in Canton on all commercial transactions, but prices have been almost doubled to meet the frequent fluctuation of the currency.

Very low grade rice in Canton is selling at 25 cents a catty and 25 catties of fire-wood cost a dollar. These figures represent a great deal of hardship to the poor class.

LI TSAI HSIN HEAD OF LOCAL KUOMINTANG.

The Provincial Executive Committee of the Kuomintang in Canton is to be reorganized with General Li Tsai Hsin at its head. The name of General Li Tsai Hsin is popularly acclaimed already as the head of the Kuomintang Party locally and Chairman of the Provincial Administration, many orders being issued in his name.

EFFORTS TO RE-ESTABLISH ORDER.

Pending the re-establishment of some sort of security to life and property in Canton City the street and ward committees have jointly decided to organize street patrols on their own account, borrowing some old rifles from the Police as their equipment. They expect to function at least till the middle of February and may, purely for police purposes, be useful.

They do not aim at any military significance. (Continued on next Column.)

DEPARTURE OF MR. R. M. SMITH.

LEAVING FOR HOME ON SATURDAY.

KEEN VOLUNTEER AND CHAMPION GOLFER.

Mr. R. M. Smith, who has been with the firm of Dodwell & Co. and a resident of this Colony for the last eight years, leaves for England on Saturday by the s.s. *Albatross*. He has resigned his position with Dodwell & Co. and is taking up a post with Messrs. Lucas & Co. in England. On Tuesday the Engineer Company of the H.K.V.D.C. gave him an informal farewell dinner.

From 1919, when he first came to the Colony until the present time Mr. Melville Smith has been in charge of the Machinery Department of Dodwell & Co. During the same time he has been one of the leading members of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, and was instrumental in the formation of the Engineer Company, of which he was commanding officer.

Capt. Smith, as he was known when he took in hand the Engineer Company, organized it into a highly efficient field company, complete with wireless telephony apparatus, signalling lights, and all the various means of communication which are essential to the up-to-date management of war forces. All this he was highly competent to do, for during the war he served in the Royal Engineers, and was taken from the front line to do specialized research in wireless at Woolwich. For this work he was awarded the O.B.E.

In 1925 he was promoted to the rank of Major and became second in command of the Corps, acting as Administrative Commandant during the absence on leave of Lieut. Col. L. G. Bird. Apart from the H.K.V.D.C., Mr. R. M. Smith's chief activities, outside of business, have been with the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, where he has frequently shown how fine and consistent a player he is. In 1921 he had his greatest success, winning the Championship at Fanning, and this year he came very near to doing it again, finishing the final only to be beaten not very far from the home green.

Mr. Smith's departure will be a gap in the Colony which will be hard to fill. He has made many friends but, while sorry to lose him, they all join in congratulating him upon his appointment in England and in wishing him the greatest success in his new sphere.

HEALTH OF THE COLONY.

SIX CASES OF ENTERIC LAST WEEK.

Six Chinese cases of enteric were reported last week, but of these two were imported. Two cases proved fatal.

There were also two fatal cases of diphtheria, and two of cerebro spinal fever, also fatal. A fatality from typhus fever and one from influenza were notified.

The Colony had a clean bill of health on Tuesday.

CANTON CELEBRITIES IN HONG KONG.

LI FOOK LAM STILL HERE.

Dr. Wang Chung Hui, D.C.L., Minister of Justice, passed through the Colony on Tuesday on board the M.M. liner *Andre Lebon*, which is to sail for the Hague, where he will sit as one of the judges at an extraordinary session of the Permanent Court of International Justice, to be held on February 12th.

There were some notable Chinese leaders in the Colony on Tuesday including General Li Tsai Hsin, General Li Ching Lin, a leading member of the Nationalist Party, who also arrived here by the *Andre Lebon* from the North, and General Li Fook Lam, who came from Canton last week and who is still in Hong Kong.

After several months of deadlock, the employers and employees of 120 machine shops in Honan have effected a settlement. The employers are to grant the strikers two months strike pay.

The Canton Municipality is to grant \$100,000 towards the relief fund. So far very few sufferers in the Red uprising have applied to the Municipal Bureau of Charity for help, and during the last two days only 18 persons received relief.

The Canton Authorities are, however, asking the leading trade guilds to contribute towards relief work.

The Canton-Hong Kong Strike Committee office, opened several years ago to enforce the anti-British Strike and Boycott, will be continued for some time longer, as it is declared to be "still unfinished."

Every day sees the proscribing of labour unions suspected of "Red" sympathies. The Fokis Union, the largest and most influential in the City, is being closed by order of the Police.

A BUILDING DISPUTE.

OWNER AND CONTRACTOR DISAGREE.

MISSING STAMP ON CONTRACT.

Before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gulland) at the Supreme Court yesterday an action was heard in which a claim of \$23,157.40 is involved. This claim arose out of a dispute on the building of 13 European-style houses at Yau-mat, on Kowloon Island Lot No. 1301. It is between the owner and the building contractor and concerns extra work done in respect of the erection of the houses.

Plaintiffs were the Sang Loong contractors, 14, Main Street, Yau-mat, and their claim was against Lai Sui Ching, 10, Wing Lok Street, the landlord, for \$23,157.40, being \$7,000 balance due under a contract dated January 25th, 1924, and the remainder, \$16,157.40 was claimed for extra work done.

Defendant denied the debt, stating that the extra work was not required by the contract, and that a portion was not extra work, but was included in the original contract. Defendant counter-claimed for \$8,770.11 as damages for work which was defective or unsatisfactory and the omission of certain work.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Messrs. Lyson and Hall, was for plaintiffs, and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed by Messrs. Hastings, Denys and Bowley, was for defendant.

Opening the case, Mr. Jenkin referred to the contracts, the main one dated January 25th and the two supplementary character dated January 25th and 10th. Dealing with the first contract, Mr. Jenkin drew attention to the opening paragraph, which stated that the contractor should give satisfaction to the Building Authority, architects and landlord. There was also a paragraph which stated that on this Canton square, the work should be laid on the roofs with lime, earth, and cement well mixed up for the purpose.

There would be considerable argument over the third contract, because the defence relied upon it in the main. It dealt with the "extras" and provided that terms for extra work or omissions should be written out and signed by the parties before such work became valid. There was also another sentence to the effect that if work or materials were not satisfactory, the owner was at liberty to give that work to another contractor, any expenses incurred to be deducted from the contract price.

Work was started on February 5th, 1924 and the Building Authority gave an occupation permit on May 26th in the following year. From time to time, the defendant required additional work to be done. The first additional work was 80 concrete window sills at a cost of \$40 each, making a total of \$3,200. The plaintiff supplied a tender for the defendant's signature in respect of this work, but it was not signed. The defendant said it was not necessary to bother with the formality and the plaintiff was satisfied. The work was done.

Other additional work to the value of \$23,556.80 was done. The defence was that no agreements were signed with regard to the supplementary contract and that there was no liability on the defendant to pay. Mr. Jenkin also admitted that no item covered by the additional work tenders was covered by the original contract and that they were true "extras" in every sense of the word.

On August 1st, 1925, \$12,000 was paid in account generally, and \$2,000 in account of the supplementary contract. On August 19th the plaintiffs presented two bills to the defendant, one being for \$23,000 for extra work and one for balance due under the contract, \$9,000. A further \$2,000 was paid on the latter on August 27th, thereby reducing the \$9,000 to \$7,000.

When approached with regard to the money for the extra work, the defendant said it seemed excessive, and intimated that he would be prepared to pay an amount estimated by a foreign firm of architects. With regard to that, Messrs. Denys, Hastings and Gulland made a report of September 12th, 1925, of which they sent a copy to both the plaintiff and the defendant.

Plaintiff Examined. Plaintiff was called and gave evidence bearing out Mr. Jenkin's opening.

Replying to Mr. Jenkin, he said that \$23,000 had been paid. Payments were made by defendant himself to witness at the defendant's Wing Lok Street office.

Witness said that he had used concrete for the tiles on the roofs, according to contract.

At no time had his attention been called by anybody to anything wrong in this respect.

Witness also gave evidence as to details of extra work.

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INADEQUATE LIFE SAVING APPARATUS.

JURY'S FINDING ON PICNIC DISASTER.

COXSAIN OF MOTOR-BOAT CENSURED.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning, Mr. W. Schuffeld, assisted by a jury, concluded the inquest into the deaths of six persons who were passengers on the motor-boat *Sai Kung* on November 27th, when a fire broke out while proceeding from Sai Kung to Nam Tau Sha.

The boat was off Yai-po Sha, Port Shelter at the time. Some of the party were rescued, others swam ashore, while six were killed. The fire started through a gas explosion in the engine.

Before the jury retired, Mr. Schuffeld reviewed the evidence, and referred to the question of life saving apparatus, etc.

He praised his address with an expression of sympathy to the relatives of the deceased persons.

His Worship submitted eight questions to the jury for their consideration, and after a retirement, they returned the following finding in answer to the questions given below.

1. What caused the outbreak of the fire?—The fire was caused by a gas accident.

2. What degree of blame attached to the coxswain in charge of the boat?—There seems to have been negligence on the part of the coxswain in not remedying the deficiencies of the engine, and of failing to prevent overcrowding on the launch.

3. Does any blame attach to the rest of the crew? If so, in what respect?—No blame attaches to the crew.

4. Do you consider that any blame attaches to the Police Officers at Sai Kung as regards the overcrowding of the launch?—The Police at Sai Kung are not to be blamed as regards the overcrowding of the launch.

5. Were sufficient life-saving appliances provided, having regard to the fact that only 14 people were supposed to be on the boat?—In accordance with the regulations life-saving apparatus was carried on the boat. Four life buoys were carried, but these were not sufficient.

6. Could more have been done to prevent or mitigate the fire?—More could have been done if the crew had not lost their presence of mind.

7. Does any blame attach to the owner of the launch?—The owner of the launch is not to blame.

8. Do you wish to make any recommendation for the prevention of future disasters of this nature?—We wish to recommend the Police Department should see that all motor launches at Sai Kung are supplied with sufficient life-saving apparatus as stated in the finding and that they see in future that motor and other launches are not overcrowded.

His Worship promised that the jury's verdict and recommendations would be forwarded to the proper quarter.

In reply to Mr. Potter, who referred plaintiff to an item of 15 servants' liabilities at \$4,500, plaintiff admitted that that was an error by clerk and should be \$450. He could not account for the mistake.

No Stamp.

His Lordship remarked that there was no stamp on the contract. Mr. Potter commented that that was so, and it should have been up to him to raise the point himself.

His Lordship: I confess it did not occur to me at the time. I was distracted by my interest in Mr. Jenkin's opening.

Mr. Jenkin: I was not conscious of the fact myself. His Lordship referred to the Ordinance, and remarked that it was the worst of dealing with translations. He was afraid that so far as the \$7,000 due as balance under the contract was concerned that this amount could not be accepted in evidence, seeing that the contract was not stamped.

The contract, it was pointed out, did not apply to the \$19,000 odd claimed for extra work done.

Mr. Jenkin remarked that he would like to consider the matter. He did not know if there was any way of circumventing the effects of the omission.

His Lordship said he was bound to take notice of this admission of an insufficiently stamped document. Referring to the Ordinance, His Lordship mentioned a Section which stated that any person tendering such instructions shall be given an opportunity of applying for special leave to rectify this omission. His Lordship went on to say that he thought the best thing he could do was to give permission to apply for special leave to rectify the omission in this case.

Before adjourning the case *sine die*, His Lordship remarked: I think that a malicious imput must have brought the omission to my attention.

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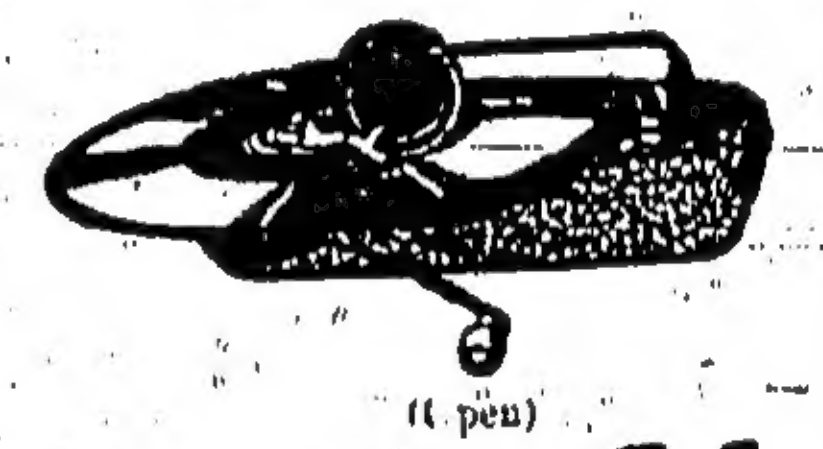
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[A.P.]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

HOLDERS OF ARMS LICENSES are reminded that their Licences are due for RENEWAL on 1st JANUARY 1928. Licensees should call at the Arms Office, Police Headquarters, with their Arms and Licences before JANUARY 5th, 1928.

D. C. WOLFE,
Capt. Supt. of Police.
Hong Kong, 4th Jan. 1928. [5737]

CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL.

THE CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL will REOPEN on MONDAY, 9th JANUARY, 1928. EXAMINATIONS will be held at 9 A.M. on FRIDAY, 6th JANUARY, when the HEAD MASTER will be present to interview Parents. [5743]

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E. A. LEGGATT,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 5th January, 1928. [5742]

CYMDEITHAS DEWI SANT, HONG KONG.

(ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY, Hong Kong.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Society will be held in Mr. D. J. LEWIS' Office (Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES & MATTHEWS) Prince's Building, on FRIDAY, 13th JANUARY, 1928, at 5.30 P.M.

- Business:
- (a) To receive the Report of the Committee and the Statement of Accounts for the past year.
 - (b) To elect Officers and Committee for the ensuing year.
 - (c) To consider the manner in which St. David's Day shall be celebrated.

All Persons of Welsh nationality whether Members or not are invited to Attend.

Dated the 5th January, 1928.

G. S. HUGH-JONES,
Hon. Secretary. [5742]

LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at Exchange Buildings, 100, Queen's Road, Central, MONDAY, the 16th day of JANUARY, 1928, at 12 Noon for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution, namely—

"That the capital of the Company be reduced from \$1,500,000 divided into 150,000 shares of \$10 each to \$900,000, divided into 90,000 shares of \$10 each and that such reduction be effected by cancelling the capital which has been Lost or is unrepresented by available assets to the extent of \$600,000 share upon each of the 125,000 shares which have been issued and are now outstanding and by reducing in the nominal amount of all shares the Company's capital from \$10 to \$5 per share."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held on TUESDAY, the 17th day of JANUARY, 1928, at the same time and place for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

By Order of Board,
S. J. JORDAIN,
Secretary. [5740]

THE HONG KONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

THIRD TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

SATURDAY, 7th JANUARY, At 9.15 P.M.

at **LEE THEATRE.**

MAIN EVENTS:

10 ROUND WELFAREWEIGHT CONTEST.

LONG, SEABAY HALL,
(H.M.S. Amherst)

MARINE FRASER
(H.M.S. Tamar)

10 ROUND MIDDLEWEIGHT CONTEST.

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BOOKING AT MOUTRIES:—
MEMBERS—THURSDAY, 5th JANUARY.

GENERAL PUBLIC—FRIDAY & SATURDAY, 6th & 7th JANUARY.

USUAL PRICES. [5738]

INTIMATIONS.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING:—
18th, 19th, 20th & 21st
FEBRUARY, 1928.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and Entry Forms are Now Ready and may be obtained at the RACE OFFICE, HONG KONG CLUB and CAUSEWAY BAY STABLES. [5653]

FANLING HUNT STEEPLECHASES.

CHINESE NEW YEAR MEETING:—
21st JANUARY, 1928.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and Entry Forms for the CHINESE NEW YEAR MEETING to be held on JANUARY 21st, 1928 (Weather Permitting), may be obtained from Dr. F. PIERCE GROVE, The Polo Club and Causeway Bay Stables. Entries CLOSE BEFORE NOON, SATURDAY, 7th JANUARY, 1928. [5734]

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following DEBENTURES were DRAWN at the SANITARY BOARD ROOM on THURSDAY, the TWENTY-NINTH day of DECEMBER, 1927:—

No.	No.	No.	No.
1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24
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169	170	171	172
173	174	175	176
177	178	179	180
181	182	183	184
185	186	187	188
189	190	191	192
193	194	195	196
197	198	199	200

Holders of Drawn Debentures who desire to be paid on the 16th JANUARY, 1928, are requested to inform the SECRETARY on or before SATURDAY, 14th JANUARY, 1928.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DEBENTURES Numbered as above which are Not Cashed on 16th JANUARY, 1928, will Cease to bear Interest on 15th JULY, 1928, and will be Paid on 16th JULY, 1928.

By Order of the Committee,
E. D. MATTHEWS,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 31st December, 1927. [5733]

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FIFTEENTH DRAWING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in conformity with the conditions endorsed upon the Debentures, the undermentioned Numbers of Debentures of the total value of 224,000 were drawn on the Second day of NOVEMBER, 1927, at the Office of the Company, No. 22, Austin Friars, in the City of London, in the presence of the Directors, ALFRED WILLIAM BERRY, Secretary of the Company, and NICHOLAS ROBERT JAUHALDE, of 9, Bishopsgate, London, E.C.2, Notary Public.

The said Debentures will be paid off at Par on the 31st DECEMBER, 1927, at either of the following places:—

In London: At the Transfer Office of the Company, No. 3, London Wall Buildings, E.C.2.

In Brussels: At the Office of the Local Board, 13, rue Brédère, Brussels.

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352	353	354	355	419	478
507	572	574	582	601	714
813	963	975	1013	1019	1132
1300	1278	1287	1490	1449	1479
1498	1499	1508	1585	1740	1748
1771	1787	1828	1817	1919	2040
2003	2172	2310	2234	2360	2376
2411	2453	2457	2553	2873	2924
2986	2746	2769	2779	2833	2868
3117	3196	3132	3163	3308	3310
3317	3348	3363	3360	3594	3604
3640	3670	3704	3727		

700 Bonds of £20 Each, Numbered:—

3221	3264	4013	4016	4018	4150
4161	4185	4332	4362	4367	4704
4633	4637	4651	4656	4667	4704
4718	4822	4823	4878	4882	4934
4930	5130	5158	5182	5342	5381
5385	5440	5463	5489	5508	5511
5547	5661	5771	5794	5800	5838
5963	6133	6166	6202	6235	6257
6268	6540	6673	6700	6712	6717
6728	6753	6782	6831	6842	6849
6878	7033	7041	7103	7178	7237
7263	7381	7409	7410	7412	7462
7504	7587	7610	7642	7652	7686
7721	7771	7790	7791	7850	7869
7860	8007	8018	8084	8174	8201
8208	8227	8274	8287	8292	8294
8296	8733	8824	8874	9032	9079
9087	9280	9318	9365	9412	9417
9531	9532	9602	9671	9672	9731
9823	10012	10031	10073	10097	10101
10142	10165	10188	10278	10285	10417
10475	10505	10508	10569	10615	10650
10693	10713	10767	10768	10822	10853
10878	11015	11017	11048	11209	11268
11297	11303	11314	11318	11370	11473
11490	11493	11510	11522	11547	11553
11576	11776	11818	11825	11870	11888
11898	11906	11908	11920	12004	12056
12095	12172	12282	12300	12309	12781
12792	12801	12830	12855	12900	12950
12964	12979	13060	13066	13067	13238
13408	13438	13512	13561	13607	13623
13646	13664	13740	13822	13866	14012
14082	14107	14227	14398	14411	14550
14588	14605	14646	14652	14655	14674
14731	14741	14772	14947	14977	15076
15058	15119	15127	15161	15258	15267
15284	15358	15574	15641	15660	15672
15749	15758	15776	15792	15814	15815
15858	16020	16073	16105	16131	16212
16213	16237	16273	16288	16348	16425
16452	16458	16650	16692	16739	16820
16855	16879	16943	16955	16980	17023
17085	17112	17230	17292	17398	17414
17471	17511	17542	17546	17571	17683
17732	17770	17812	17851	17869	17884
17903	17922	17983	18061	18076	18234
18279	18315	18328	18360	18428	18430
18460	18475	18478	18625	18637	18641
18730	18771	18773	18914	19002	19025
19058	19060	19317	19320	19493	19495
19520	19531	19563	19605	19638	19752
19890	19896	20008	20060	20074	20323
20335	20367	20381	20395	20438	20457
20692	21128	21181	21187	21226	21286
21431	21445	21490	21490	21586	21638
21726	21784	21797	21810	21901	21917
21953	22007	22082	22111	22166	22220
22255	22258	22295	22383	22445	22475
22682	22714	22773	22842	22862	22955
23038	23097	23137	23181	23209	23228
23248	23268	23301	23320	23354	23357
23418	23438	23451	23480	23720	23734
23886	23931	23980	23989	23993	24051
24095	24108	24175	24218	24261	24285
24417	24492	24443	24523	24630	24647
24660	24712	24744	24755	24874	24936
25079	25100	25203	25240	25305	25321
25333	25463	25503	25518	25546	25675
25700	25711	25755	25828	25833	25910
25965	25979	26027	26040	26131	26188
26191	26218	26230	26233	26295	26334
26423	26437	26510	26539	26586	26600
26663	26675	26711	26747	26800	26812
26855	26904	27039	27152	27197	27250
27257	27331	27361	27434		

MARSHAL CHIANG ACCEPTED BY THE NANKING GOVERNMENT.

CHIANG TO BE WELCOMED TO THE CITY.
SOON TO RESUME GENERALISSIMATE.

DR. C. C. WU'S MISSION TO U.S.A.

NANKING GOVERNMENT'S LATEST MANDATES.

NORTHERN ARMY CONCENTRATING ON FENG YU HSIANG'S TROOPS.

As "bolts from the blue" in China's kaleidoscopic politics are merely the normal, surprise should not be felt regarding the announcement that Marshal Chiang Kai Shek, in spite of very recent pronouncements to the contrary, is now being kindly received by the Nanking Government, who intend to welcome him right royally to their headquarters and assist in his installation to his old post of Commander-in-Chief of the Kuomintang Army. Whether this invitation is shared by all the Kuomintang military leaders is probably very doubtful; but evidently the civilian leaders have agreed once again to welcome back the man who unquestionably was for long their outstanding military chief.

Dr. C. C. Wu is being sent on a "special mission" to America for the purpose of negotiating a modification of the existing Sino-American treaty.

The post of Finance Minister has fallen to Mr. T. V. Soong (Chiang's brother-in-law) and Mr. Sun Fo is appointed to a new office entitled "Chief of the Construction Department."

The military situation in the North is reported to be of such a nature that Dictator Chiang Tso Lin intends to concentrate his forces on the impending onslaught of Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's troops.

MARSHAL CHIANG AND NANKING GOVERNMENT.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pau.)

SHANGHAI, January 4th.

Yesterday Marshal Chiang Kai Shek issued a circular telegram announcing that he is going to Nanking to prepare for the coming 4th Kuomintang Conference. He said that since his resignation from the post of Commander-in-Chief of the Kuomintang Army, the so-called Central Government set up in Nanking had been merely in name and politics as well as party affairs were in as chaotic a condition as ever. As he had adhered to the idea that no reconstruction and reformation in the Nationalist Government and the Kuomintang Party was possible without upholding the supreme authority of the Party and the immediate calling of the Plenary Kuomintang Conference, through which all factional problems were expected to be satisfactorily settled, he was now impelled by his patriotic feelings and urged by Kuomintang comrades to resume the heavy responsibility of paving the way to calling the 4th Kuomintang Conference. He hoped that all comrades would give him every support in achieving this end, forgetting past factional or personal grudges and differences.

Marshal Chiang proceeded to Nanking from Shanghai this morning, and the Nanking Government despatched a large number of armed guards along the Shanghai-Nanking Railway to ensure the safety of Marshal Chiang's train. The well-known "Chung Shan" armoured car was also assigned to escort him to Nanking.

As soon as his arrival in Nanking, Marshal Chiang will formally assume office as Commander-in-Chief of the Kuomintang Army.

THE SIEGE OF CHOCHOW.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pau.)

SHANGHAI, January 4th. The Fengtienese, who have been besieging Chochow for a long time, have ordered by their leaders to withdraw to about miles from the suburbs of that city. Terms are now being negotiated between General Fu Tsang Yi, the Shansi commander at Chochow, and the Fengtienese representatives for the surrender of the city, and are expected to be concluded soon.

THE FENGTIEN-SHANSI WAR TENSION.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pau.)

SHANGHAI, January 4th. The war tension between Shansi and the Peking Government is considerably alleviated. Marshal Chiang Tso Lin is reported to be proposing to put his full strength against Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang.

BRITISH FLOODS.

RAILWAY BRIDGE COLLAPSES.

MAIL TRAIN'S NARROW ESCAPE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Receiv. Jan. 3rd.

From all parts of the country reports continue to come of damage and difficulties caused by the floods. The most notable happening to-day was the collapse of the Bridge of the London and North-Eastern Railway, near Edmonton, on the main line from London to Cambridge. The mail train had only just passed.

The line has been closed to traffic, causing considerable disorganisation which would have been worse but for the existence of an old loop line which has not been used for many years, but to which it was possible to divert traffic for Cambridge.

RUSSIAN OIL FIELDS.

CONTRACT FOR GERMAN SYNDICATE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 3rd.

A German pipe syndicate has contracted for the delivery of 30,000 tons of pipes for the construction of pipelines in the Russian oilfields in the Caucasus.

SOVIET SENTENCES.

OFFICIALS "ABUSE THEIR POSTS."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Moscow, Jan. 3rd.

Charged with abusing their official posts, Mr. Poliakoff, the Commercial Director of the Grain Department of the State Bank, and his assistant named Tolestin, have been sentenced to death and their property has been confiscated.

Nine merchants have been sentenced to varying terms of imprisonment on cognate charges. It was alleged that Poliakoff and Tolestin communicated secret commercial information to private merchants and sold the latter's grain on more favourable terms than to the State Departments.

PROSPERITY OF U.S.A.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE OPTIMISTIC.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3rd.

President Coolidge, with a swollen wrist handicapped owing to New Year's handshakes, received Pressmen to-day, and expressed the opinion that the United States had every reason to look forward to a prosperous year, because employment had improved, the railways were purchasing more equipment, the motor industry was more active, and there was a plentiful supply of credits at a low rate of interest—a factor enabling industry and commerce adequately to finance any expansion contemplated.

SEVERE COLD IN AMERICA.

MANY DEATHS IN SOUTHERN STATES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Jan. 3rd.

Following a mild Christmas, the United States is now suffering from severe cold. Many parts in the middle-west are covered with four or five feet of snow. There has been great suffering in the South where many have perished from the cold in their homes.

FRENCH MONEY MARKET.

GOLD IMPORT DUTY TO GO.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Jan. 3rd.

Provisional returns show that to December 15th, the revenue exceeded the expenditure by £6,125,000. The Government has introduced legislation with a view to the abolition of the import duty on gold imports, whether specie or bullion, as it considers it indispensable that the gold market should be re-established.

The sole consequence of the exemption will probably be to enable the Bank of France to exercise the necessary control over the money market.

AMERICA AND NICARAGUA.

FURTHER FIGHTING.

PUNITIVE EXPEDITION.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MANAGUA, Jan. 3rd.

An aeroplane, belonging to the American Marines, bombed the forces of Sandino. There were several direct hits and it is believed that numerous casualties were inflicted.

American reinforcements marching on Quilali came into conflict with Sandino's troops. One marine was killed and five wounded. The rebels fled to the mountains.

A feature of the recent fighting is the accuracy of the rebels' anti-aircraft fire against the American aeroplanes.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3rd.

Two battalions of marines have been ordered to Nicaragua as a punitive expedition against the rebel Sandino.

To Bomb The Rebels.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4th. The decision to despatch reinforcements to Nicaragua followed a conference between President Coolidge and Mr. Wilbur, Secretary of the Navy. Pending their arrival, bluejackets will be landed to relieve marines for the expedition against General Sandino's troops. The State Department formally announces its intention to co-operate fully and effectively with the Nicaraguan Constabulary establishment. Meanwhile preparations are being made to bomb the rebels in their mountain and forest strongholds.

RUSSIA AND POLAND.

EXCHANGE POLITICAL PRISONERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Moscow, Jan. 4th.

An exchange of political prisoners has been effected at the frontier town of Kolossovo, involving 29 Poles and 9 Russians.

STATUE OF LORD CURZON.

FOR CARLTON HOUSE TERRACE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Receiv. Jan. 3rd.

The commission for a memorial to the late Marquis Curzon, the former Foreign Secretary, has been given to Sir Bertram Mackennal who has been responsible for much public work, including a number of statues of Queen Victoria and King Edward.

The intention is to erect a full length statue of the distinguished statesman in Carlton House Terrace where he long resided, and also to place a plaque in Westminster Abbey.

PRINCESS MARY TO VISIT EGYPT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Receiv. Jan. 3rd.

The *Evening Standard* learns that Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles will visit Egypt in the Spring. Plans for the visit and its duration are not yet in their final stage, but an announcement will be made as soon as possible.

BRITISH SEAPLANES.

HOLD THE WORLD'S SPEED RECORD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 3rd.

The International Aeronautical Association has cabled the Royal Aero Club officially crediting Flight Lieutenant Webster, the Schneider Trophy winner, with the world's speed record for seaplanes over 100 kilometres, with a speed of 450.222 kilometres per hour.

BOMBAY STRIKE.

10,000 MILL WORKERS IDLE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BOMBAY, Jan. 3rd.

As the result of a lightning strike of employees in four mills, following the introduction of measures of economy, 10,000 people are idle.

FRANCO-AMERICAN TREATY.

PROPOSALS REGARDED AS A "MODEL FOR ARBITRATION."

OUTLAWING WAR.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, January 3rd.

The French Government is studying a United States Memorandum regarding a new Franco-American arbitration treaty to replace the Elihu Root treaty which expires next February.

It is suggested that the preamble of the new treaty should declare a policy against war while the document itself should provide that all disputes (except domestic or affecting a third power, or arising out of the Monroe Doctrine) shall be submitted to the Hague Court.

The proposals are regarded as a model for arbitration treaties with other nations, including Britain, where it is learned in London that they would, undoubtedly, receive favourable consideration.

A Sweeping Proposal.

LATER. The State Department has published the text of a formal invitation to France to join with the United States in proposing to all the principal world Powers a comprehensive treaty containing a declaration renouncing war as an instrument of national policy.

The invitation was forwarded to Paris on December 28th as a preamble to the draft treaty to replace the Root Arbitration Treaty with France, which expires on February 27th.

A copy of the draft is being sent to the British and Japanese Governments and will eventually be sent to all Governments with which the United States has the Root Arbitration Treaty.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Careful Study Needed.

PARIS, January 3rd. M. Briand, in his reply to Mr. Kellogg, is gratified that the latter approves the French suggestion to outlaw war, but says if the treaty is extended to nations besides France and America, the question will require careful study to ensure the rights of nations interested in the League Covenant and so that existing treaties may be in no wise prejudiced.

More Information Sought.

LATER. Regarding the renewal of the Franco-American Arbitration Treaty, M. Briand accepts Mr. Kellogg's proposed text, but requests precise information on several points, particularly concerning the position that would arise if the American Senate refused to ratify the arbitration undertaking, also regarding the scope of the reservation excluding an arbitration dispute in which a third Power is implicated.

The Proposal.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4th. Mr. Kellogg's proposal to France to invite other Powers to join in the Treaty to outlaw war is in the nature of a counter-suggestion to M. Briand's original plan of a universal treaty.

Mr. Kellogg, in a letter to Paris, says that he has carefully considered the matter and warmly reciprocates for the American people the lofty sentiments of friendship that inspired M. Briand to make the proposal. Mr. Kellogg then suggests that the two Governments, instead of contenting themselves with the bilateral declaration, might make a more signal contribution to world peace by joining in an effort to obtain the adherence of all the principal Powers of the world to a declaration of renouncing war as an instrument of national policy and says that such a declaration would be bound to be an impressive example to other nations and might lead the latter to subscribe to the same instrument. He concludes that if the French Government are willing to join this endeavor, he would be happy to engage immediately in conversations with a view to the preparation of a draft treaty.

The fact is emphasised that the proposed revised Franco-American Arbitration Treaty which is submitted to France's consideration is entirely separate from Mr. Kellogg's reply to M. Briand's proposal.

GUN ELEVATION.

A MISCHIEVOUS RUMOUR SCOTCHED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Receiv. Jan. 3rd.

Satisfaction is expressed in official quarters in London at a communiqué issued by the United States Government repudiating the report that the British Government had raised elevation of guns of British battleships after the conclusion of Washington Treaty.

It is hoped this will definitely dispose of a rumour which has been revived on various occasions within the last few years and which has had unfavourable reaction on the Anglo-American relations.

OBITUARY.

FAMOUS FRENCH DIPLOMAT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Jan. 4th.

The death is announced of M. Fernand Bertheaux, a high official of the Foreign Ministry, who had extensive diplomatic service in China.

PLATINUM DISCOVERY.

VALUABLE DEPOSITS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Receiv. Jan. 3rd.

The Colonial Office announces that "Platinum has been discovered in Sierra Leone." It was first found in May, 1926, by the Director of Geological Survey, Major Junner, and recent investigation by him indicates that platinum bearing ore is about forty square miles in extent and that deposits, which are alluvial, are likely to be of considerable importance.

One nugget of platinum weighing 7.4 grammes, of 41 pennyweights, was found by Major Junner. This nugget and some of smaller grains of platinum have been presented to the Natural History Museum, South Kensington.

Analysis of platinum made by the Imperial Institute shows it compares very ably in composition with platinum from the Ural and South Africa. Platinum in Sierra Leone is associated with basic igneous rocks resembling those of bushveld igneous complex of South Africa in which important deposits of platinum metals have been found.

Detailed information regarding the locality of platinum discovered will be given to any firm or persons who can satisfy the Sierra Leone Government regarding their financial standing and their bona fide intention and capacity to undertake mining operations in the event of these being likely to prove profitable.

The Sierra Leone Government, however, reserve the power to limit the number of prospecting rights issued in respect of this locality.

PEACE IN INDUSTRY.

EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES MEETING SOON.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Receiv. Jan. 3rd.

The first joint conference between the General Council of the Trades Unions Congress and a group of employers to obtain peace in industry has been fixed for January 12th.

The General Council of the Trades Union Congress has already appointed a sub-committee to discuss and draft proposals to be submitted to the conference.

JERSEY'S WAR CONTRIBUTION.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Receiv. Jan. 3rd.

The Administration of the Island of Jersey has forwarded to the Chancellor of the Exchequer a cheque for £200,000 sterling as a contribution to war expenditure.

GIBRALTAR SWIM.

ANOTHER FRUITLESS ATTEMPT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Receiv. Jan. 3rd.

After being in the water for eight hours and twenty-nine minutes, Miss Hudson last night gave up her attempt to swim the Straits of Gibraltar.

She was then four and a half miles from the Spanish coast.

PROPERTY SALE.

MONGKOKTSUI BUILDINGS.

At the China Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa sold, by order of the first mortgagee, a leasehold property situated at Mongkoktsui, Kowloon, and registered as the remaining portion of Kowloon Island Lot No. 950, together with the buildings on it known as No. 414, Reclamation Street.

This property is held for the unexpired residue of 75 years from January 1st, 1900.

The area is 787 square feet, and the annual Crown rental is 86. The upset price was 85,000, with bids of \$100 acceptable. Mr. Wong Lai Kwan became the purchaser for 89,000.

Sir Denison Ross has been attending in Brussels the meetings of the recently created International Institute of African Languages and Cultures, of which Sir Frederick Lugard, a former Governor of Hong Kong, is the president. This Institute is occupied in collecting, tabulating, and making available for the public information concerning African folk lore, languages, history, and education.

THE DEAN OF HONG KONG.

ARRIVING TO-DAY.

ALSO BISHOP OF VICTORIA.

The Rev. Alfred Swann, M.A., D.S.O., the former Vicar of Liversedge, who has been appointed Dean of Hong Kong Cathedral and Archdeacon for English work in the Diocese of Victoria, Hong Kong, is due to arrive with Mrs. Swann and their two children on the P. & O. s.s. *Malva* this morning from Home.

On the same steamer are the Right Rev. Bishop Duppuy and Mrs. Duppuy. The Bishop has been Home for some time on leave, following a breakdown in his health, and it was deemed advisable that he should take his leave earlier than usual on account of his illness. He is now returning to the Colony fully restored, we hope, to health and strength.

The Dean's Interesting Career.

The Rev. Alfred Swann, was educated at Rugby and Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and took his B.A. degree in 1913. For three years he read medicine. At the outbreak of the War he joined the Royal Navy and served for one year as an able seaman and for three years as an officer, taking part in the Zeebrugge raid. For his service he was awarded the D.S.O. At the conclusion of the War Mr. Swann entered Westcott House, Cambridge, under Canon B. R. Cunningham, with a view to being ordained. While at Cambridge he was President of the University Boat Club (a distinction which he shared with his elder brother, their father having at one time been Secretary) and also won his half-blue for running. On being ordained Mr. Swann served as curate at Kirkcubright and in 1924 was appointed Vicar of Liversedge.

Mrs. Swann is a daughter of Bishop Abraham, until recently Suffragan Bishop of Derby. Her grandfather was Charles John Abraham, the Elder, master who joined Bishop Selwyn in New Zealand and afterwards became Bishop of Wellington N.Z. Her uncles are the Bishops of St. Albans (Dr. Furrer) and Kensington (Dr. Maud).

The Rev. Alfred Swann will, it is understood, preach his first sermon here at the Cathedral on Sunday.

Next Thursday, January 12th, a reception is being held at the Cathedral Hall to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Swann, and after this function, which begins at 4.45 p.m., the Bishop of Victoria will institute the Rev. Alfred Swann as Archdeacon of English work in the Diocese, and will also institute the Rev. Mok Shau Tsang as Archdeacon of Chinese work in the Diocese.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The engagement is announced between Ralph Colley Smith, M.C., writer to the Standard, and Jessie Elizabeth, only daughter of Philip B. Cousland, M.B., C.M., LL.D., Shanghai.

The late Mr. Samuel Scrutton Roberts (52), of Cranford, Russell-road, Clacton-on-Sea, late of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, Shanghai, left £3,546 (net personalty £2,884).

Bookings are now open at Messrs. Mounts and the Star Theatre, Kowloon, for the Revue season which Mr. Dick Norton's company, the "Globe Trotters" will begin at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, on Sunday next. Admission is at the popular prices of 3s, 2s and 1s.

The annual meeting of Sent Holders and Subscribers of St. John's Cathedral will be held at St. John's Cathedral Hall on Monday, January 30th, at 5.30 p.m. The Dean and Mrs. Swann will be "At Home" to all who may be able to be present from 4.30 p.m. in the Cathedral Hall.

In connection with the arrival of the Dean of Hong Kong and Cathedral Chaplain (the Rev. Alfred Swann) a reception to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Swann is to be held in the Cathedral Hall on January 12th, at 4.45 p.m., when it is hoped a large number will be present.

In view of the success reported by the Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee in the test transmission last week from Lee Gardens, on the transmitter taken over from the Hong Kong Radio Society, another test transmission was carried out last evening. Amused programme of gramophone records was broadcast between 6 and 7.30 on a wavelength of 340 metres. Another broadcast is to be given to-morrow (Friday) evening.

Dr. Sidney K. Wei has arrived in London to complete his study of the European educational system on behalf of the Chinese Government. He first attended the second biennial conference of the World Federation of Educational Systems in Toronto, and then visited the Eastern States of America. A native of Canton, he took his doctor's degree in philosophy in the University of Chicago.

CRICKET.

ARMY & NAVY.

The Club lent their ground to the Services yesterday (and the match will be continued to-day) for the last of the "Year End" series. Previously the Club had been beaten by the Army and had drawn with the Navy when well up. Yesterday the two Services met and on paper, of course, it was odd on the Army.

The wicket was surprisingly good and the ball in the morning at all events did not turn as much as might have been expected. It looked as though the wicket might improve though there was little difference. Dale won the toss and sent the Army in to bat. Morris had rather a depleted team at his disposal as the K.O.S.B. contingent had gone in to camp and others could not turn out. One of the selected in fact failed to answer the invitation. [This by request.] All the same, it was not such a bad side and an interesting game resulted.

But for Morris, the Army would have been in a bad way. Thomson, until he strained a muscle did very well and had the first two wickets with 6 on the board. Wood was rather in and out but he bowled both Trenchard and Erskine with beautiful balls. Morris was playing really nice cricket but Dale suddenly bowled him a really good over, and after the best until the last ball. It was distinctly faster, pitching just outside or on the off stump, and broke the stick.

Thereafter nothing but some gallant hitting by Sgt. Leach saved things. Taking things by and large 120 was not too bad a score.

Navy Get Ahead.

Thanks to the excellent play of jinnies by Satter and Cecil, the Navy got to 147. It was, I am told, forcing cricket all the time and I regret I was unable to see it. Miles bowled very well spinning the ball a lot and keeping an excellent length. On his day he is as good as anyone in the Colony.

The Day's Finish.

Army did by no means badly to put up 55 for two wickets. The two batsmen out, Moss and Newberry, both batted well. The present position, then, is that with 8 wickets to fall, the Army are 34 runs out. The game will be resumed at 11 a.m. to-morrow.

R. ARBITER.

Present score and analysis.

First Innings of Army.

S.Q.M.S. Moss, b Thomson	0
Capt. Bevis, g sub, b Thomson	1
Capt. Morris, b Dale	12
S.Q.M.S. Newberry, c Davies, b Wood	4
Capt. Trenchard, b Wood	7
Capt. Erskine, b Wood	0
St. Sgt. Wood, b Dale	2
Sgt. Leach, c Shaw, b Dale	25
Lt. Corp. Miles, run out	0
Pto. Lake, not out	12
Sgt. Gifford, c Cecil, b Wood	7
Extras: byes 6, leg byes 5	15
Total	126

Fall of Wickets:—1/57: 2/61: 3/71: 4/95: 5/98: 6/101: 7/108: 8/112: 9/124: 10/128.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lt. Com. Thom.	11	3	33	2
Cb. Mee, Gar.	7	1	19	0
Tel. Wood	10	1	34	4
Lt. Dale	9	2	19	3
Cd. Bos'n. Burroughs	1	0	4	0

First Innings of R.N.

R. v. R. T. Venn, c Trenchard	14
Lt. Satter, b Miles	47
Lt. Cecil, c Moss, b Miles	41
Lt. Hunt, R.M., b Miles	1
Lt. Dale, b Miles	1
Lt. Davies, st. Wood, b Miles	1
Pay-Lt. Com. Shaw, run out	2
Lt. Com. Thomson, b Leach	1
Ch. Mee, Gardiner, c Wood	1
Cb. Erskine, b Miles	18
Tel. Wood, b Burroughs	2
Comd. Bos'n. Burroughs, not out	0
Extras: byes 9, leg byes 1, no balls 6	16
Total	147

Fall of Wickets:—1/57: 2/58: 3/72: 4/95: 5/104: 6/108: 7/108: 8/111: 9/145: 10/147.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sgt. Gifford	6	0	14	0
Capt. Erskine	9	2	26	1
Lt. Capt. Miles	14	0	46	7
S.Q.M.S. Newberry	4	0	26	1
Sgt. Leach	7	0	23	1

Second Innings of Army.

Capt. Bevis, not out	14
S.Q.M.S. Moss, b Wood	16
S.Q.M.S. Newberry, c Wood	1
b Dale	13
Capt. Trenchard, not out	7
Extras: byes 5	5
Total (for 2 wickets)	55

Fall of Wickets:—1/19: 2/44.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lt. Dale	6	0	20	1
Tel. Wood	6	3	14	1
Lt. Com. Thom.	5	0	9	0
Com. Bos'n. Burroughs	3	1	7	0

GOLF.

FANLING NEW YEAR MEETING.

Bogey Pool.

W. L. Danbar (+), 1 up tie and divide.
K. S. Robertson (19), 1 up tie and divide.

Other scores:

H. F. Bloxham (9), all square	0
G. Davidson (18)	0
E. Grumble (12)	0
L. B. Andrews (6)	0
T. C. Monaghan (13), 1 down	0
W. Davidson (18)	1 down
N. K. Littlejohn	2 down
M. H. Ivy	2 down
47 cards taken out.	

Madal Round.

H. F. Bloxham ... 51-6 73 wins
T. C. Monaghan ... 50-11 76
N. K. Littlejohn ... 50-12 77

Mixed Medal Competition.

Mrs. and A. E. ... 51-15 75 wins
Lassman ... 51-15 75 wins

Other scores:

Mrs. Russell and	51-15 75
Mrs. and T. S.	51-15 75
White-Smith	51-15 77
Mrs. Syng Thom	51-15 77
son and H. R.	51-15 77
Remington	51-15 77
Mrs. and G. M.	51-15 77
ray	51-15 77
Mrs. Dudgeon	51-15 79
E. D. Matthews	51-15 79
Mrs. Cannon and	51-15 79
F. A. Redmond	51-15 80
24 entries.	

HOME FOOTBALL.

TUESDAY'S SCOTTISH LEAGUE MATCHES.

A FULL PROGRAMME.

All teams in the Scottish League (Division I) took part in holiday matches on Tuesday. There were five winners in home grounds and four away most of the games being very close. No goals were scored when the Hibernians met Aberdeen.

The Rangers, who defeated Partick Thistle at home, retained the top position in the League. Motherwell falling to Partick after holding the premier place the previous day.

One match was played in the English League, Division III, (Northern) Rochdale during holiday against Bradford, the leaders in this section.

Division III (Northern).

Rochdale v. Bradford.

Rochdale	0
Bradford	4

Scottish League.

Clyde	1
St. Johnstone	0
Dundee	3
Dumfries	0
Partick	2
Hamilton	0
Hibernians	0
Kilmarnock	2
Cowdenbeath	1
Queen's Park	1
Raith Rovers	1
St. Mirren	2
Rangers	2
Partick Thistle	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (DIVISION I).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Rangers	22	17	3	2	65	20	37
Motherwell	23	16	1	3	61	24	36
Celtic	22	13	6	3	52	20	32
Hearts	23	13	3	7	51	29	29
St. Mirren	23	12	3	8	45	30	27
Partick	22	12	2	9	47	35	26
Kilmarnock	23	10	6	7	42	45	26
Aberdeen	21	11	3	10	41	45	25
Hibernians	23	10	1	12	45	41	21
Cowdenbeath	23	10	1	12	45	41	21
Partick	23	10	1	12	45	41	21
St. John	23	10	1	12	45	41	21
Stone	21	9	1	11	42	40	22
Airdrie	23	7	7	9	36	41	21
Dundee	23	8	1	11	38	46	20
Queen's Park	23	7	4	12	47	37	18
Hamilton	23	6	4	13	47	36	16
Hamilton	23	6	1	13	39	35	16
Clyde	23	7	2	14	50	30	16
Dumfries	22	5	2	15	27	33	12
Dundee	23	3	2	18	19	22	5

GARRISON FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

THE LEAGUE POSITIONS.

League positions in the Garrison Football League are as under:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
C. Co. K.O.S.B.	7	6	1	0	33	3	13
H.Q. 2 K.O.S.B.	8	6	1	1	30	13	13
D. Co. K.O.S.B.	5	3	2	2	32	13	13
A. Co. K.O.S.B.	6	4	1	1	37	6	9
H.Q. 1 K.O.S.B.	8	4	1	3	19	13	9
B. Co. K.O.S.B.	7	4	1	2	15	10	9
31st H. Bty. R.A.	6	3	1	2	13	5	7
R.A.M.C.	10	3	0	7	16	35	6
12th H. Bty. R.A.	4	1	2	9	9	3	3
R.A.O.C.	9	1	1	7	9	33	3
R.E. & R. Sigs.	5	0	0	5	2	10	0
20th H. Bty. R.A.	6	0	0	6	1	20	0

I.R.C. "D" v. R.G.A.

This league match takes place on Saturday at Sookunpo Valley. I.R.C.—M. P. Mander (capt.), R. Nazarin, A. S. Safford, A. K. Minu, H. Hassan, D. Mohamed, S. A. Hussain, A. Rahman, A. K. Ismail, Sirdar Khan and A. Butt. Reserves: U. T. Thad and E. M. K. Malubhoj.

INTERPORT FOOTBALL.

THE TEAM SELECTED.

PLAYERS WHO WILL GO TO SHANGHAI.

The following have been chosen to represent Hong Kong against Shanghai at the latter port during Chinese New Year: Clarke (H.K. Police), Wynne (H.K. Police), Lai Yik Tai (China Athletic), C. F. Remedios (C. de Recreo), Sims (Kowloon), Lam Yik Yin (China Athletic), Tso Kwai Shing (China Ath.), Mc-Niven (Sports Guards), Gossau (Club de Recreo), Suen Kuen Shan, Rev. Alexander (K.O.S.B.), Reserves: P. Naxler (Club de Recreo), Mc-Niven (H.K. Club), L. Rocha (Club de Recreo), Rev. Alexander is to be Capt. and Clarke Vice-Captain.

The team will leave Hong Kong by the President Grant sailing on 15th instant.

YESTERDAY'S TRIAL GAME.

SELECTED TEAM BEAT THE NAVY.

Wynne and Tso Kwai Shing were absent from the team chosen to play against the Navy on the day. F.A. ground, their places being taken by Ng Kum Chuen and Britton. The game started with the Team fielding ten players only. The Team pressed at first and Bradley seemed to have "chained" him in the Navy goal. Once he was beaten by Barkham just stopped the ball going over the line and cleared. Mc-Niven sent in hard against the upright and the ball rebounded to play. Clarke had ten shots to stop, but Evans kept him from close range, the ball coming across from Davies and Britton failed to clear. Ng, who was late, came on after the goal was scored and for a time Barkham and Baker, the Navy back were kept busy. Barkham had most to do against the Chinese left wing, Chan being in good form. The Team levelled up, through Chan who took a pass from Gossau and gave Bradley no chance. The Team scored the lead, Suen drew the defence and gave to Gossau close in, the latter beating Bradley with a fast shot. Almost from the centre, the ball was again in the net. A centre by Chan was missed by Bradley, and Gossau lobbed the ball over the goal's head. Half-time: Selected Team 2, Navy 1.

Command.

The team selected to represent Hong Kong is by no means a strong one, and its selection will probably cause comment. The team is not considered likely to win but everyone wishes them luck and is confident that they will do their best and play a good sporting game which is the main thing.

THE TEST MATCH.

SOUTH AFRICA NEED 300 TO WIN.

SUTCLIFFE MAKES 99.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

At the close of play in the second cricket test match at Cape Town, England had scored 412 runs for eight wickets.

Sutcliffe, who made 99, had reached that total when he broke his bat. Playing with a new bat he was dismissed without being able to make the one run needed to secure a century.

Tydesley was responsible for 87 runs as a result of a patient innings of three hours and a quarter against difficult bowling.

The South Africans who had the advantage over England of 117 on the first innings are now faced with the prospect of having to make some 300 runs in their second innings in order to win.

[THROUGH WIRELESS AGENCY.]

Cape Town, Jan. 3rd. In the second cricket test match England had scored 339 runs for 8 wickets at the tea interval.

Sutcliffe had contributed 90 runs and Tydesley 67 runs.

At the close of play, England had scored 412 runs for eight wickets. Wynne was 76, not out.

Cape Town, Jan. 4th. In fine weather, England made 428, of which Wynne scored 91. South Africa were 45 for no wickets at lunch time.

CRICKET AT THE DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL.

RESULTS OF THE INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION.

SOME PROMISING YOUNGSTERS AND THEIR PERFORMANCES.

During the last fortnight the Diocesan Boys' School have had their inter-house cricket matches. Although inter-house football and sports have long been an annual feature this is the first occasion on which inter-house cricket has been tried. The experiment proved a great success, much enthusiasm being shown in all the matches. Yellow House were the winners. The Diocesan Boys' School is doing very good work on behalf of cricket in the Colony and the following scores show that some promising talent is developing. D. J. Anderson, in particular, is doing extremely well with both bat and ball.

The scores were as follows:

BLUE v. BROWN.

Blue.

D. J. Anderson, c Kavarana, b G. Lee	61
A. T. Nemanbhoy, run out	0
S. C. Christie, b A. T. Lee	9
E. T. Wood, c Kavarana, b A. Lee	0
M. Yayahbhoy, b A. T. Lee	0
Chan Kai Yuen, b G. Lee	0
H. Waller, c Musabbhoj, b G. Lee	16
G. T. Lee, c and b A. T. Lee	0
A. Shirazee, b A. T. Lee	0
Dew Boun Sing, not out	0
V. White, not out	0
Extras	14
Total	100

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
G. Lee	9	0	21	3
A. T. Lee	10	2	16	4
A. Musabbhoj	8	0	19	0
W. Cunningham	6	0	27	0

Brown.

R. Reed, c Nemanbhoy, b E. T. Wood	11
Wm. Chan Yuen, b Anderson	16
G. A. Lee, run out	0
A. T. Lee, not out	0
Cheng Kam To, c and b G. Lee	0
W. Cunningham, not out	21
S. A. Broadbridge, c and b G. Lee	4
G. Lee	11
Total	129

Kong Kam Cheung, R. Kavarana, A. Musabbhoj and G. Waller did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Anderson	11	0	27	1
Yayahbhoy	3	0	13	0
E. T. Wood	8	0	20	1
Nemanbhoy	6	1	32	0
G. T. Lee	6	0	27	2

BLUE v. YELLOW.

Blue.

D. J. N. Anderson, b R. Lee	7
A. S. A. Kyum, c Channings, b Kwan	9
S. C. Christie, b R. Lee	0
J. A. Shaw, b R. Lee	0
A. T. Nemanbhoy, b R. Lee	5
M. Yayahbhoy, b Kwan	2
H. A. Waller, not out	3
Chan Kai Yuen, c and b R. Lee	1
E. T. Wood, b R. Lee	0
G. T. Lee, b Kwan	3
A. Shirazee, b R. Lee	1
Extras	1
Total	32

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. Lee	10	4	18	7
W. H. Kwan	10	1	15	3

Yellow.

W. H. Kwan, b Anderson	19
F. Shirazee, b Anderson	0
R. Lee, c Christie, b Kyum	2
Pong Pun Fong, b Anderson	0
Ma Chia Chong, b Anderson	0
b Kyum	29
L. C. Kan, b Anderson	0
P. K. Lee, b Anderson	0
J. Channings, b Anderson	0
G. L. Lindholm, c and b Kyum	0
N. Broadbridge, c Chan, b Anderson	0
B. Chan, not out	2
Extras	8
Total	47

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
D. J. N. Anderson	6	1	6	14
A. S. A. Kyum	6	0	25	3

GREEN v. BROWN.

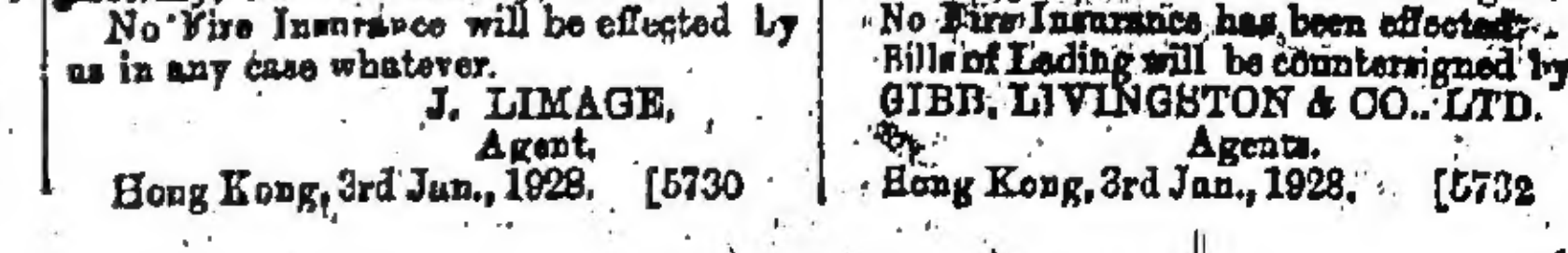
Green.

F. R. Zimmermann, b A. T. Lee	21
P. A. Waller, c Wong Kum	
Cheung, b A. Lee	20
A. Pruta, run out	0
Leung Cheuk Kiu, c G. Lee,	
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ARRIVALS.

January 3rd.

Handong Maru, Japanese str., 2,480 tons, Capt. N. Suzuki, from Samsung, which port she left on December 24th, with molasses and sugar, lying at buoy No. A29—Nanyo Yusen Kaisha.

Gunther, Swedish motor ship, 7,150 tons, Capt. C. H. Anderson, from Gothenburg, which port she left on November 8th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Gillman & Co.

Limn, British str., 1,350 tons, Capt. T. G. Beer, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12—H. & S.

Tek Hing, Chinese str., 103 tons, Capt. Lo Sau, from Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at Lun Chong Wharf—Fook Hoi Co.

Volcanus, Dutch str., 707 tons, Capt. E. D. de Munick, from Swatow, lying at Taketsui—A.P.C.

January 4th.

Arifura, British schooner, 3,307 tons, Capt. S. L. Diamond, from Melbourne, which port she left on December 1st, with wool and general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Blackie & Co.

Edgridge, American str., 3,460 tons, Capt. F. W. Brooks, from Seattle and Apoy, with lumber and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A27—American Mail Mail.

Hydrangea, British str., 501 tons, Capt. T. H. Ball, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Chin On Wharf—Chiu On S.S. Co.

La Vegas, American str., 3,362 tons, Capt. A. Wic, from Portland, Ore. and Calbayog, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A30—Columbia Pacific S.S. Co.

Yokosuka Maru, Japanese str., 1,991 tons, Capt. T. Matsubayashi, from Mito, which port she left on December 25th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 151—M.B.K.

President Jefferson, American str., 4,143 tons, Capt. F. R. Nichols, from Shanghai, which port she left on January 2nd, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—America Mail Line.

Shimo Maru, Japanese str., 1,150 tons, Capt. K. Hirazawa, from Samsung, which port she left on December 25th, with timber and general cargo, lying at Shamshipo—Geo. Grimbly & Co.

Song Joo, French str., 720 tons, Capt. J. Bannour, from Fort Bayard, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C34—Messageries Maritimes.

Vau Hents, Dutch motor ship, 2,749 tons, Capt. J. Groothoff, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1—J.C.J.L.

Victorian, American str., 4,753 tons, Capt. T. R. Wiburg, from Port Arthur and Amoy, with kerosine and gasoline, lying at Lalehikok—A.M.L.

CLEARANCES.

January 4th.

Canton, for Shanghai.
Eldridge, for Manila.
Kwok Man Hing, for Swatow.
La Vegas, for Kobe.
Limn, for Canton.

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PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

Per s.s. *Arifura*, from Australia and ports, on January 4th:—Commissioner Unsworth, Mr. W. H. Suleth, Mr. P. Bohling, Mr. N. G. Padgett, Mr. Chan Hoi Hung, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Choudhury and infant.

Per s.s. *President Jefferson*, on January 4th, from America and ports:—For Hong Kong: Mr. C. W. Brook, Mr. Chung Chor Po, Mr. Charles Chang, Mr. Francisco Cheong, Mr. N. A. Dowley, Mr. Fan Wah Shen, Mr. Fong Cho Tong, Dr. Hai Hing, Mr. P. G. Johnson, Mr. Lee Sze Tong, Mr. and Mrs. Lo Fook Choo, Mr. C. L. Jullage, Mr. Norman F. Meyers, Mr. Ng Shan Ying, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Petre, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Perry, Jr., Master John B. Perry, Mrs. S. Quam, Master S. Quam, Mrs. S. Quam, Mr. Louis A. Robb, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Sprake, Mr. Don Tulling, Mrs. Tam Zah Lan, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Watkins, Mr. G. R. Sabelstrom, Mr. Jimmie Louie, Mr. Chan You Chee, For Manila: Mrs. Ah Poo, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Alderson, Mr. Lawrence R. Boyer, Mrs. D. C. Crowell, Master C. Crowell and Albert W. Crowell, Mr. J. Dupery, Mrs. Virginia Freeland, Mr. N. Fujiwara, Mr. Rikichiro Fujiwara, Mrs. T. M. Green, Sir Douglas M. B. Hall and Lady Ida Nancie W. Hall, Mr. O. Hanson, Mr. Louis M. Howe, Miss Margaret A. Long, Lieut. Comdr. J. E. Meigs, U.S.N., Mr. N. K. Perrett, Mrs. Geo. W. Steple, Mr. Albert T. Walker, Mrs. Jennie Wild, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Wolff, Mr. Yih Kallang, Mr. Yih Kallang, Jr. and Miss Yih Che Tehang.

Departures.

Per s.s. *President Jefferson*, for Manila, on January 4th:—Mrs. Ah Poo, Mr. L. R. Boyer, Mrs. D. C. Crowell and two children, Mr. J. Dupery, Mrs. V. Freeland, Mr. N. Fujiwara, Mr. R. Fujiwara, Mrs. T. M. Green, Sir Douglas M. B. Hall, Lady L. N. W. Hall, Mr. O. O. Hanson, Mr. L. M. Howe, Miss M. A. Long, Lieut. Comdr. J. E. Meigs, U.S.N., Mr. K. N. Perrett, Mrs. G. W. Steple, Jr., Mrs. A. T. Walker, Mrs. Jennie Wild, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Wolff, Mr. Yih Kallang, Mrs. Yih Kallang, Jr., Miss Yih Che Tehang, Mr. K. F. Jefferys, Mr. A. F. Oliver, Lt. C. R. Hunt, Mr. D. Gariga, Mr. T. Casanova, Mr. P. Egnor, Master R. Castillo, Mr. H. Oslen, Mr. A. Taylor, Mrs. Lai See, Mr. M. La Voy, Miss E. A. Anderson.

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ADMIRALTY APPOINTMENTS.

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Lieut. Comdr. F. R. J. Mack, O.B.E., in the office of the First Sea Lord Admiralty, is Paymaster.

Lieut. Comdr. E. D. T. Churcher, from the Secretaries' Course, and in 1924-25 Secretary to the Commodore-in-Charge at Hong Kong.

"EMPRESS" LINERS DOCKING.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* left for Vancouver, via ports, yesterday, after undergoing her annual overhaul at Kowloon dock.

The *Empress of Asia*, which returned from Manila on Tuesday, has gone to dock for the same purpose, and will sail for Vancouver again on January 25th. The R.M.S. *Empress of Canada* returns from Manila on January 24th, and will then go into dock, following the departure of the *Empress of Asia*.

The E. & A. s.s. *Arifura* will leave for Moji, Kobe and Yokohama at 6.30 o'clock this (Thursday) morning.

The B.E. s.s. *Garmula* will leave for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta to-morrow (Friday) at noon.

The m.v. *Emmaland* (H.A.L.), left Shanghai yesterday at 7 a.m., and is due here on Saturday morning.

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